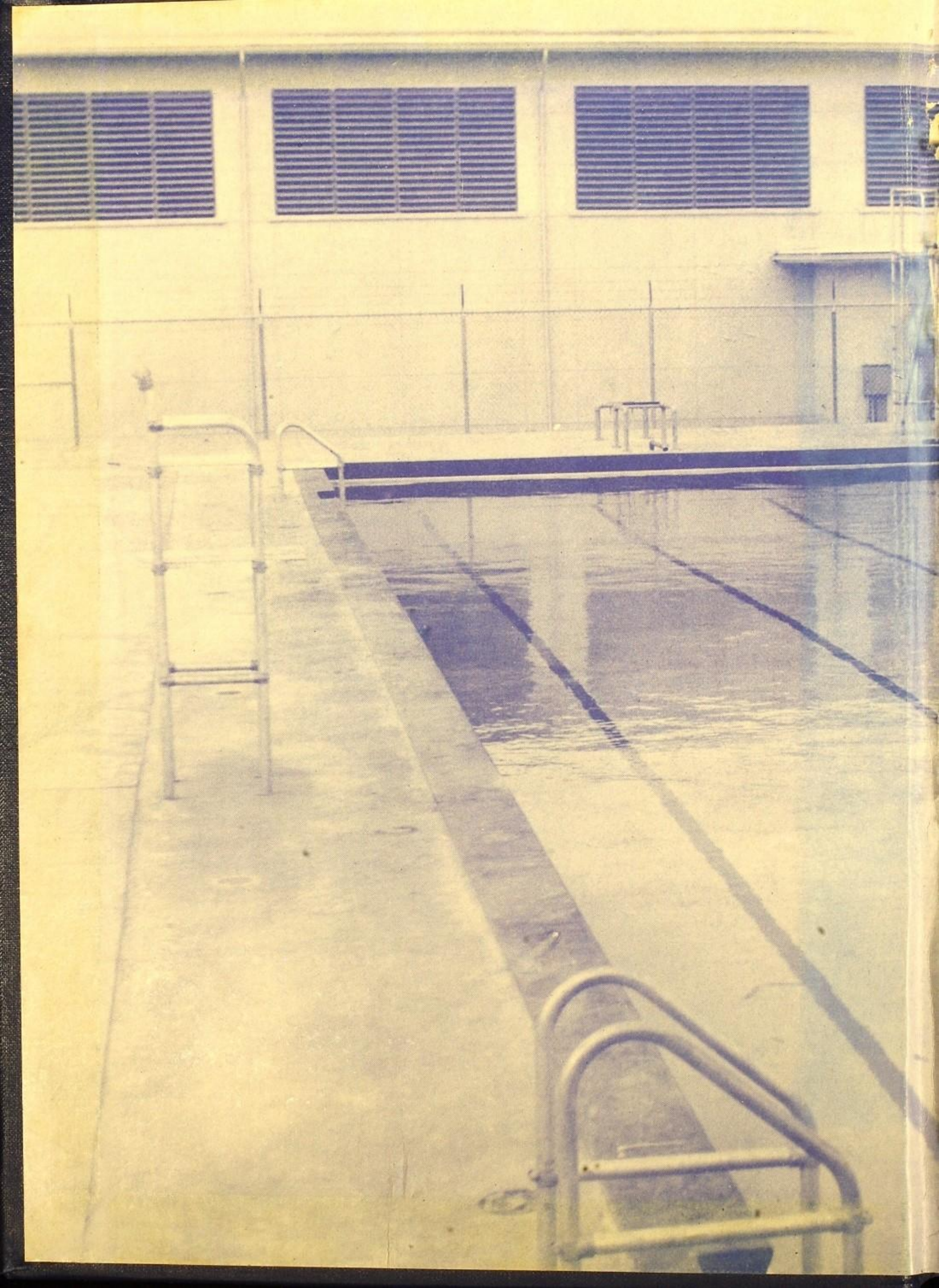


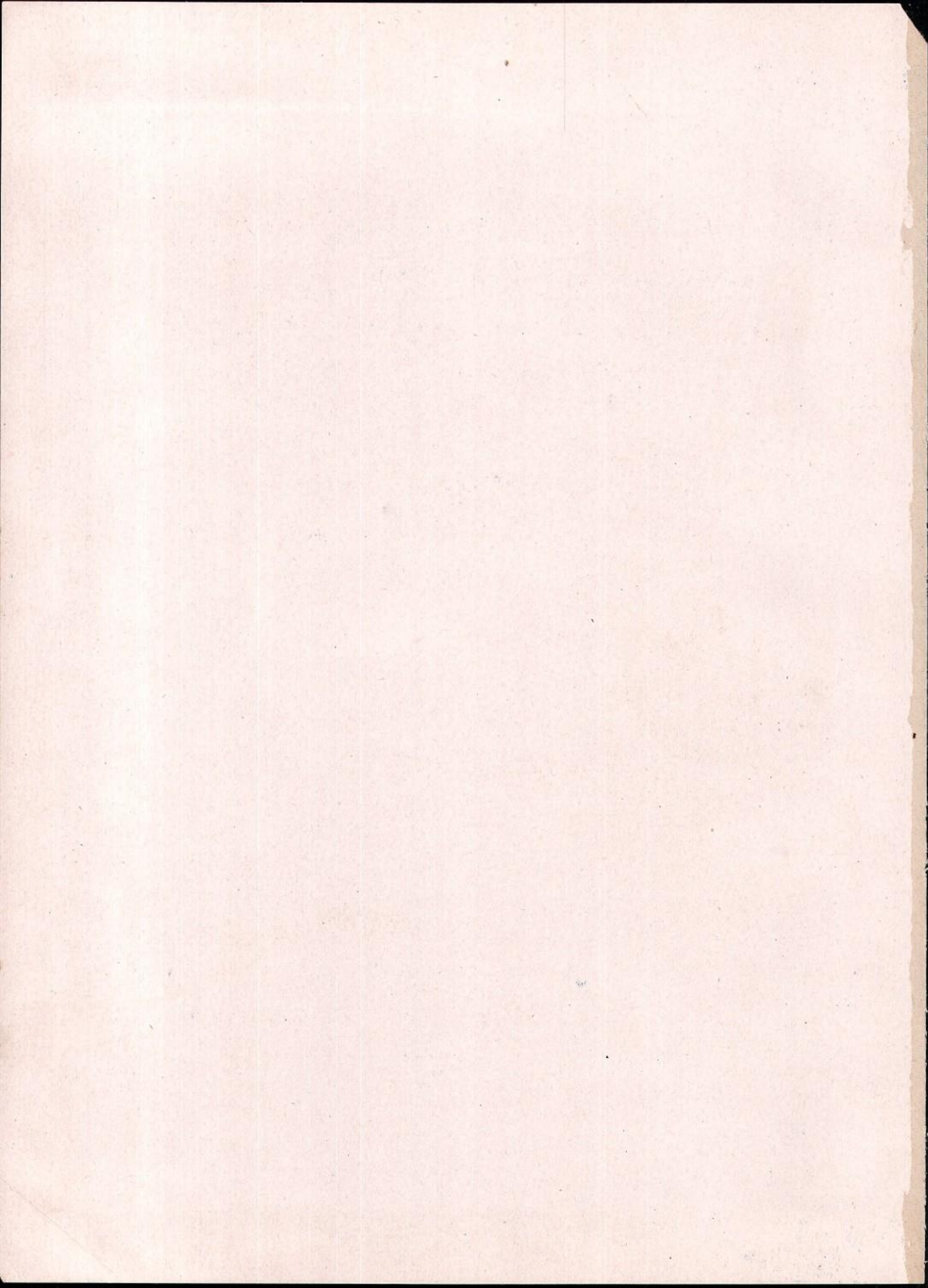
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Sophomore year
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The Tower 1950

**MANTECA UNION HIGH SCHOOL
MANTECA, CALIFORNIA**

Shirley Jacklich
Editor-in-chief

Mary Lyons
Literary Editor

In planning for you this 1950 annual, we, the Tower staff, have selected the scenes that we feel best depict the moments of excitement and the moments of routine that will make this year outstanding in high school memories. We designed this volume, from its earliest beginnings as an editor's dream to its final distribution on circulation day, for your enjoyment.

Take it—read it—sign it—and cherish it! The 1950 Tower is yours.

The Tower Staff

FORWARD

To the men whose keen interest in youth has led them to encourage the highest standards in athletics; to the men who have spent much time in a consistent endeavor to develop in their teams sportsmanship, fair play, and character; to them, the coaching staff of Manteca High, this annual Tower is respectfully dedicated

DEDICATION

*We Dedicate This Book to You
Won't You Kindly Sign?*



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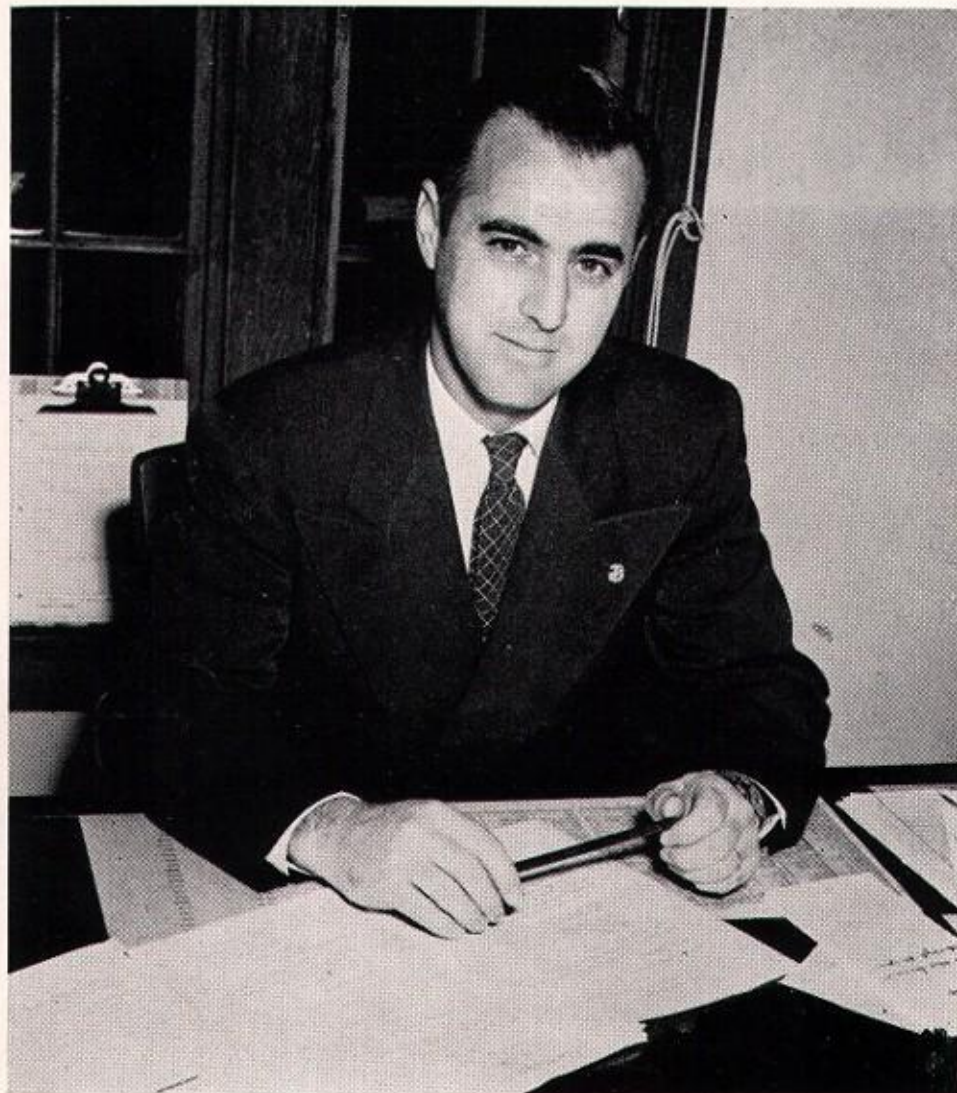
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SCHOOL GOVERNMENT

*You Have Governed Us in 1949-50
We Need Your Name for Posterity*





Principal's Message

The yearly edition of the Tower is a record of the many valuable activities undertaken by our students under the wise and sympathetic guidance of the faculty.

We are fortunate in being able to participate in these activities, as they give us a broader concept of the democratic way of life. They also provide a type of training which will become more and more valuable as we put them into practice in our daily lives.

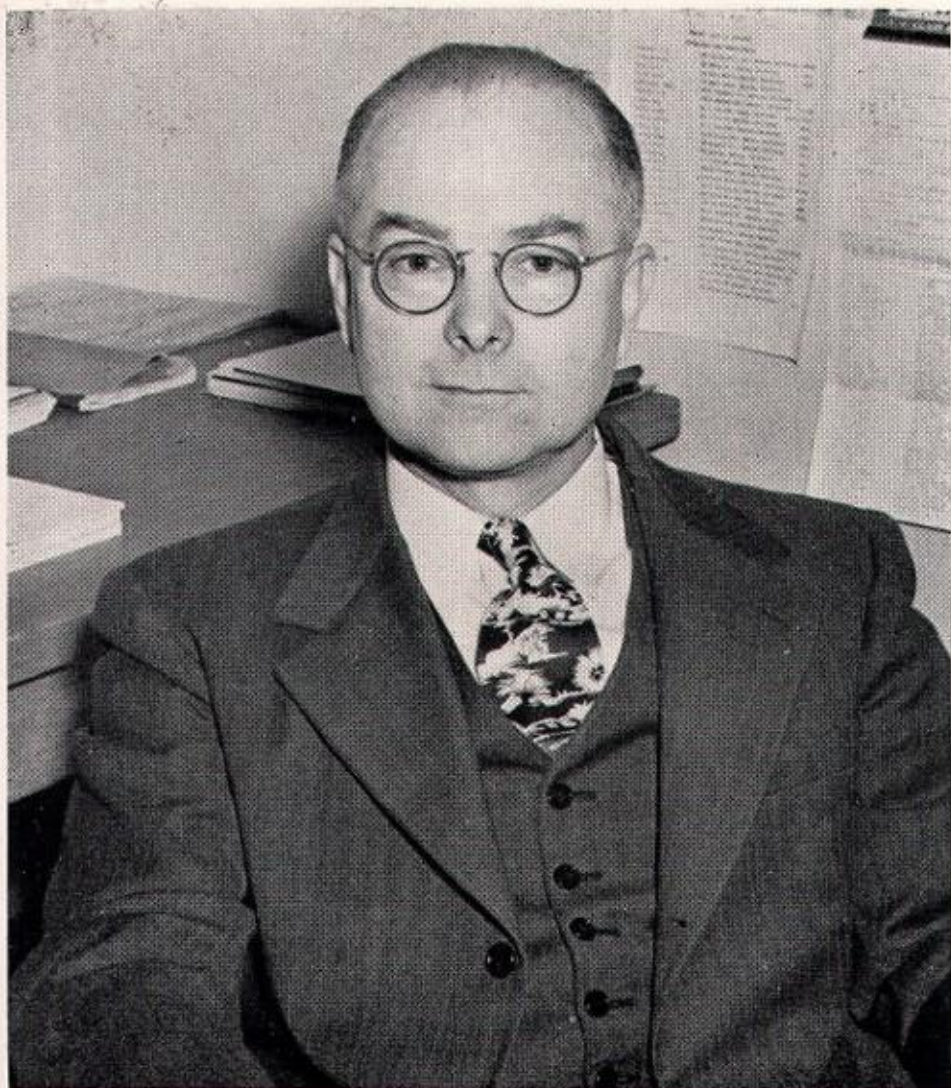
May the 1950 Tower, like the many before it, furnish the spark that will light the memories of these carefree and happy years, and keep alive and growing the ideals that were formulated during the time spent at dear old MUHS.

Mr. J. L. Blanchard, Principal

Trustees

Our trustees who served for the welfare of our school are Mr. Frank Wiggin, Mr. Lloyd Henry, Mr. Marvin Miller, Mr. George Murphy Jr., Mr. Gus Schmiedt.





Vice-principal—Mr. B. E. Claypool

The vice-principal and deans have various duties to perform daily. Study courses and class schedules must be planned; records of money deposits from many organizations must be filed; conferences with students or parents are often necessary; excuses and admits to class must be given. The combined efforts of the vice-principal and deans help to make the school an efficiently-managed institution.

Administration

Girls' Dean—Miss Ollie Hoffman



Boys' Dean—Mr. Stanley Hawkins





Top row: (left to right) G. Elkins, Mr. Claypool, advisor; M. Lucken; Bottom row: C. Howze, K. Hafer, B. Williamson, D. Davey.



Bob Williamson,
Student President

The student body officers and student council work together closely with the administration to keep the school running smoothly and democratically.

Bottom row: (left to right) K. Hafer, D. Davey, M. Lucken, T. Pollino, B. Bennett, K. Wright; Top row: B. Wheeler, H. Harrison, J. Valdez, A. Ott, H. Gillingwater, C. Turk, V. Piccinini, H. Jay, B. Acoba.





Bottom row: The annual staff: (left to right) L. Mendosa, J. Williamson, S. Jacklich, J. Loumena; Top row: B. Wheeler, T. Esteves, V. Piccinini, C. Galt, E. McDaniel, M. Lyons, L. Rhoads, N. Sinesio; Rear row: H. Jay, B. Williamson.

The annual staff is proud of the 1950 yearbook. Throughout the year they have planned, written, and taken pictures, working to make the annual all that the student body and faculty would like it to be.

The staff, consisting of twelve editors and five business representatives, worked under the direction of the editor-in-chief, Shirley Jacklich, and advisor, Miss Aiken.



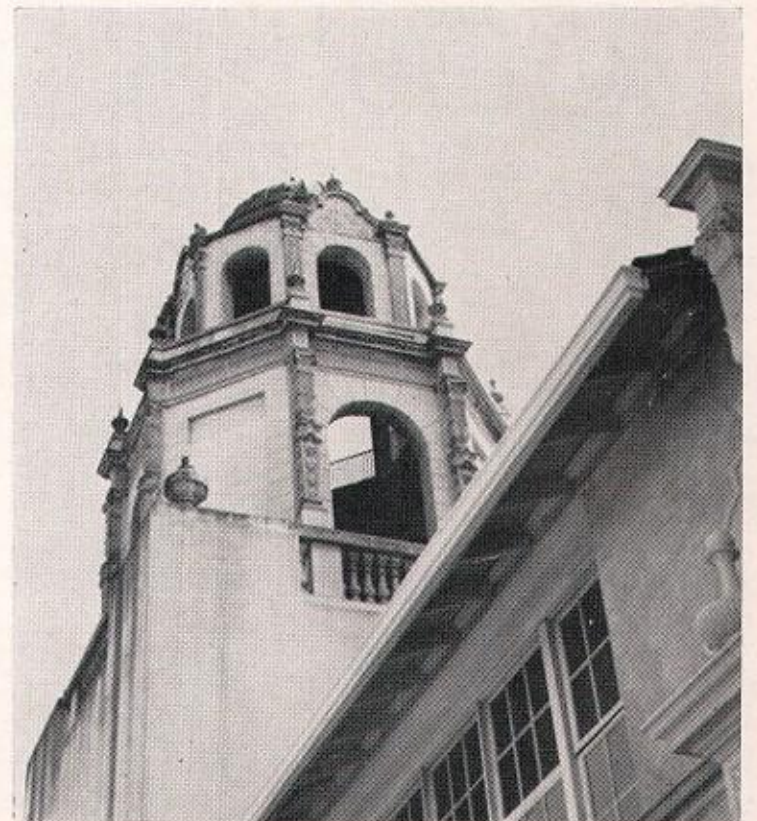
Shirley Jacklich,
Editor-in-Chief

Bottom row: Business staff: (left to right) J. Salmon, S. Jacklich; Top row: K. Hafer, W. Castle.



FACULTY

*We Tried to Learn
Your Comments will be Welcome*





The library classes keep books and magazines ready for student use.



Mrs. Grace Rhoads,
English, Counseling, Library

We scan the horizons of learning - - -



Miss Romilda Puccinelli,
Spanish

Spanish gives students an appreciation of the romance languages.





Miss Ollie Hoffman,
Counseling, Business English, U. S. History



The English department studies modern literature trends.

- - - and concentrate on language skills

Students attain self-assurance through public speaking



Miss Clara Spidell,
English, Public Speaking

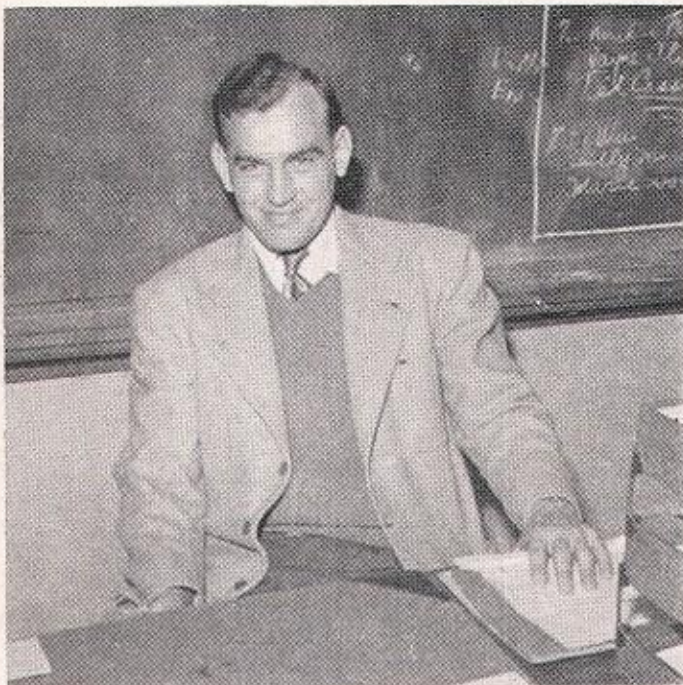


Journalists scan student publications from the Tower exchange file.



Miss Rosemary Aiken
English, Journalism

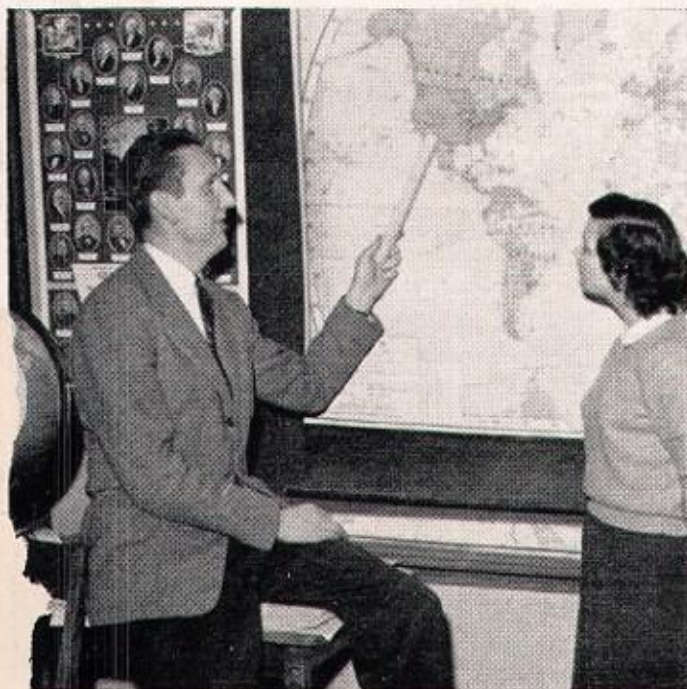
The adult world and the student community - - -



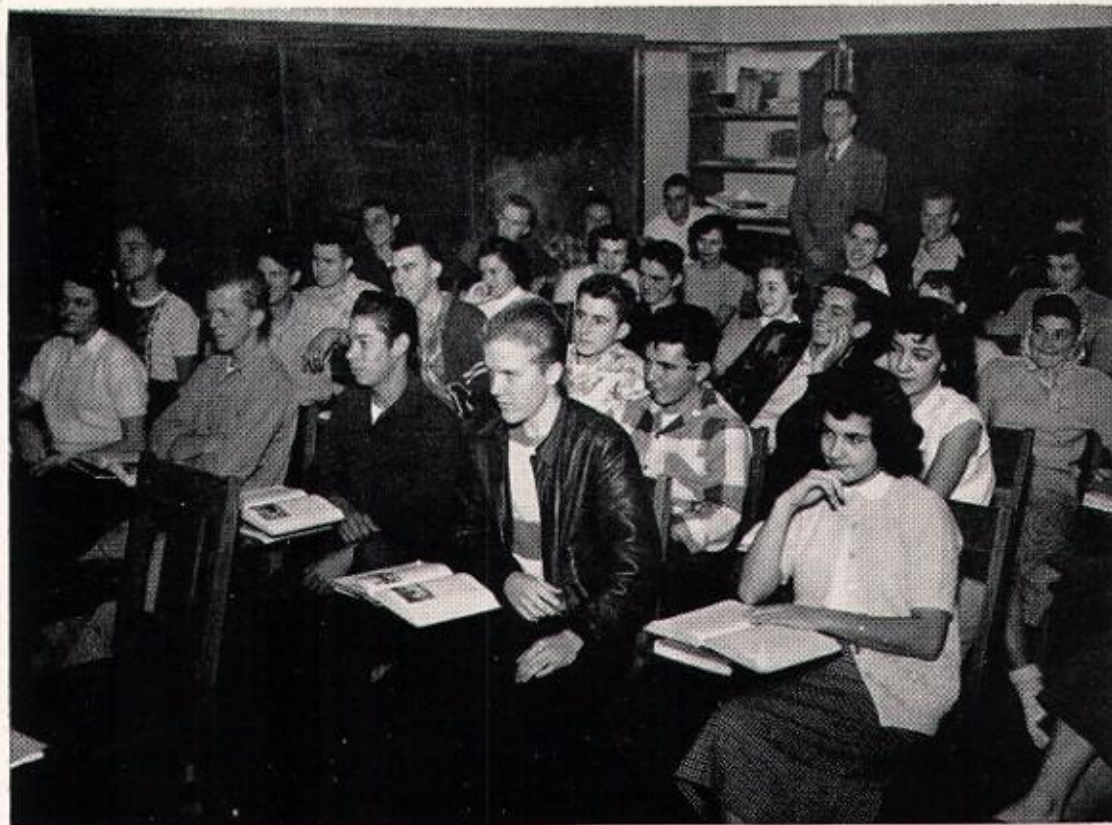
Mr. Joseph Yakopin
Social Studies, Boys' Sports

Sophomores discuss world history and current events.





Mr. Ralph Brandt,
U. S. history, social problems, boys'
physical education.



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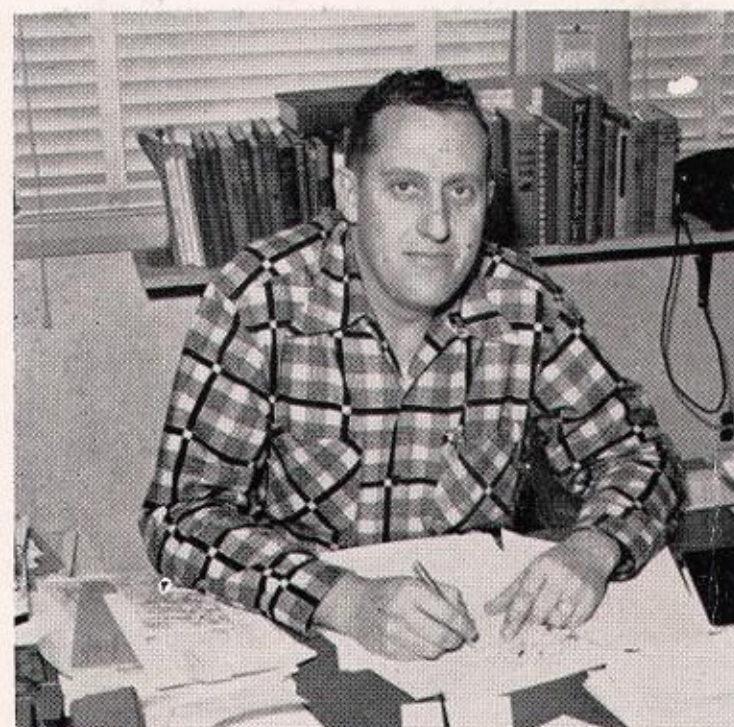
- - both absorb our interest and efforts



Mr. John Phillips,
social problems, boys' physical education, boys' sports



Future farmers study types of soil and breeds of stock.



Mr. Wendell Page,
Agriculture, Farm Mechanics

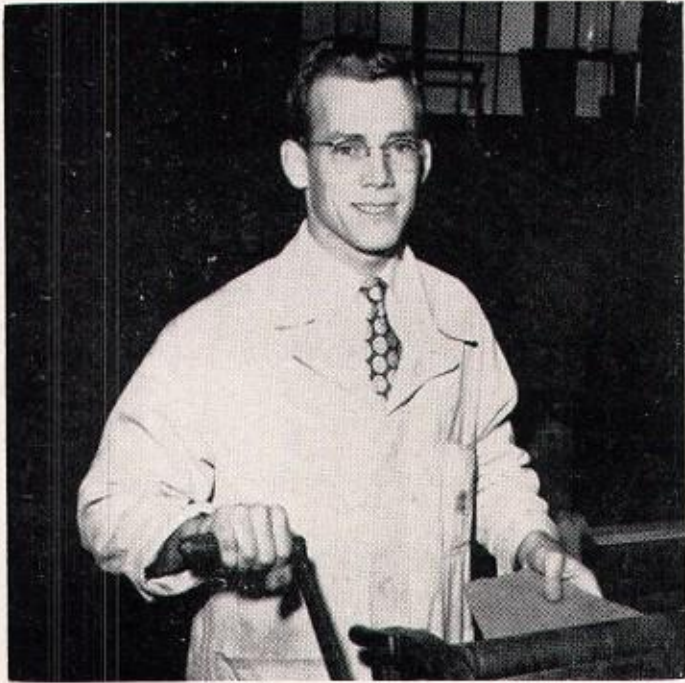
-- Agriculture combines theory with practice



Mr. Robert Paquette,
Farm Mechanics, Agriculture

Farm mechanics is learned through actual experience.





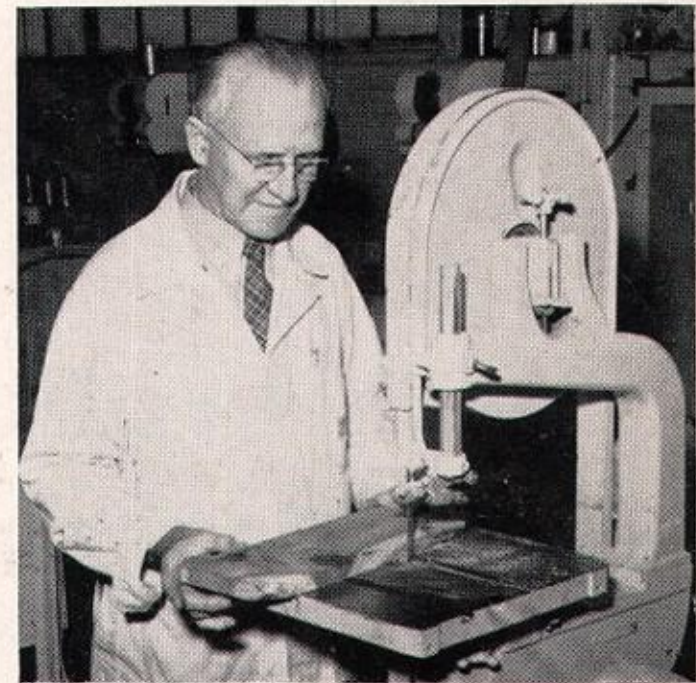
Mr. Edward Hambly,
Metal Shop, Auto Mechanics, Driver Training



Different metals and processes are worked with in metal shop.

Shops develop practical and artistic skills

Boys learn crafts from wood shop by working with several kinds of wood.



Mr. William Shimmin,
Mechanical Drawing, Wood Shop

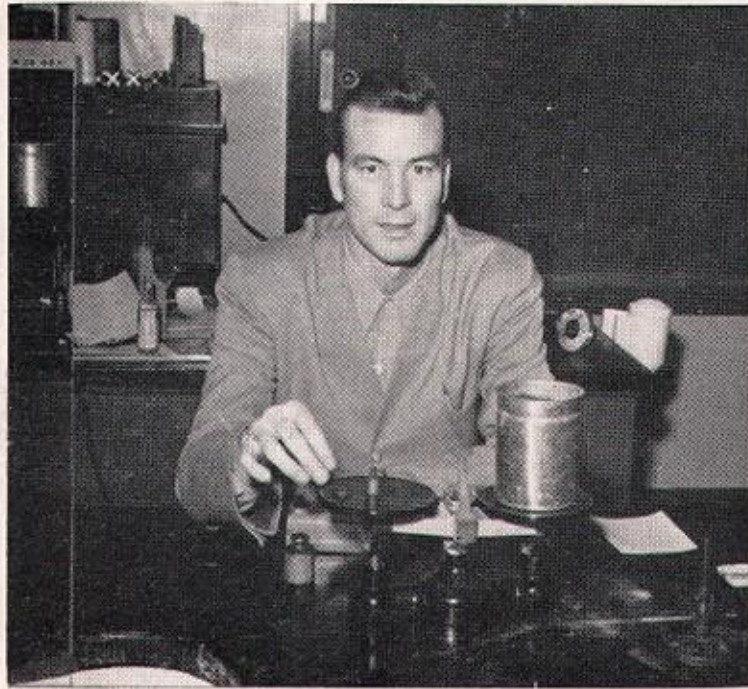


Students master mathematical problems.



Mr. Cecil Norton,
Mathematics

The abstract in math challenges



Mr. Wilfred Osterhaus,
Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Boys' Sports

Chemicals create interest in lab classes.





Mr. Stanley Hawkins,
General Science, Counseling



Various fields are surveyed by general science classes.

the unusual in science lures

Shiro Hotta examines minute leaf cells through a microscope.



Mr. J. F. Bisig,
Advanced Biology, General Science, Biology



Mr. Naiman trains future business leaders.



Mr. Walter Naiman,
Bookkeeping, Business Training

Commercial students strive diligently to insure a



Mr. Wayne Johnson,
Commercial Law, Typing

Speed and accuracy is stressed in typing.





Stenography II girls prepare for positions in the business world.

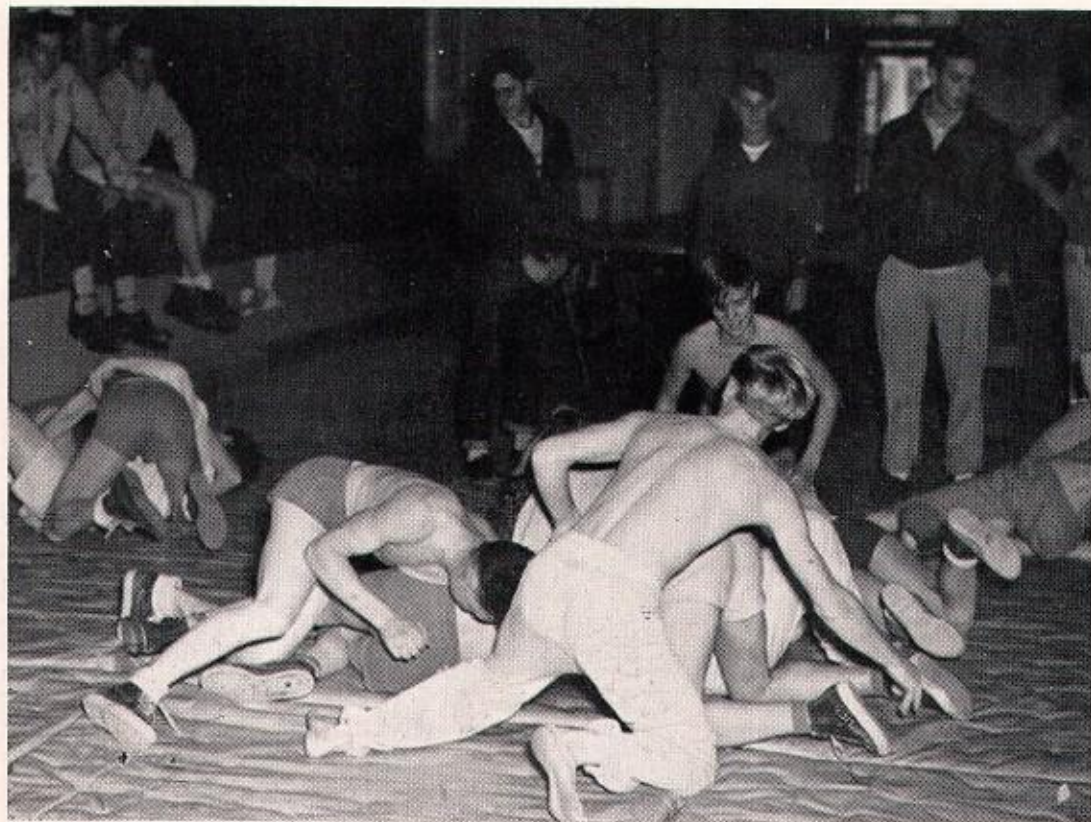
Miss Marion Lothrop,
Typing, Stenography, Office Practice



future in business leadership

Training through office practice is another stepping stone
toward a successful career.





The boys learn a few wrestling techniques.

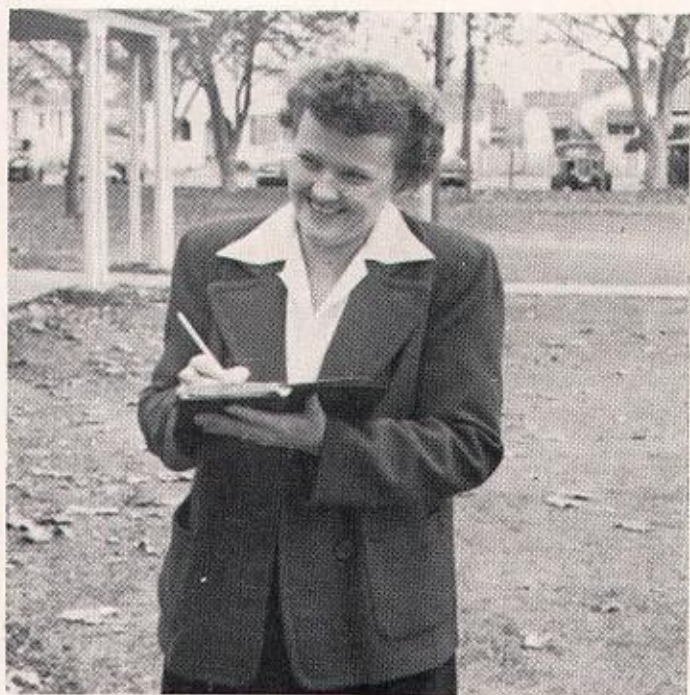


Mr. Robert Theiler,
Boys' Physical Education, Boys' Sports

Boys play for fun and sport

Basketball ranks as favorite sport among the fellows.





Mrs. Muriel Prouty,
Counseling, Girls' Physical Education



Tumbling became a favorite on rainy days.

Girls, too, enjoy physical education

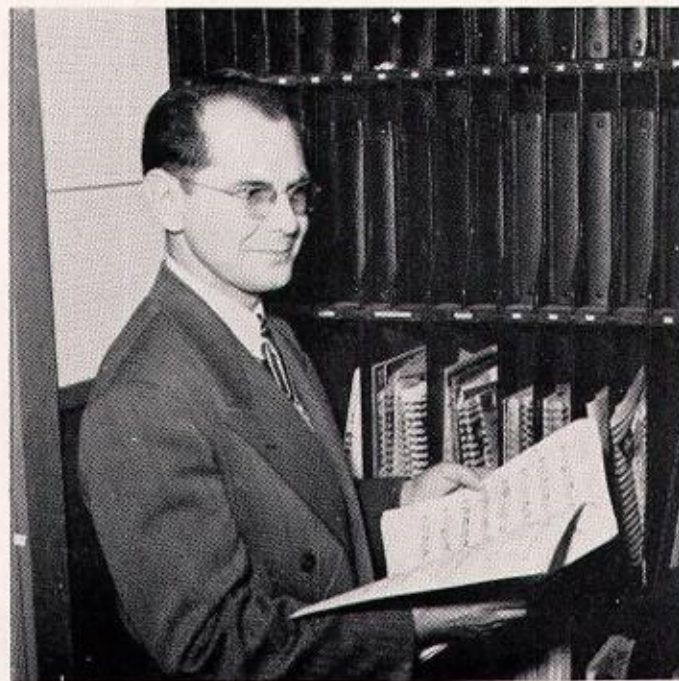
Girls enjoyed basketball too.



Mrs. June Downer,
Girls' Physical Education



Students develop new arts beneficial to their social and cultural life.



Mr. Roger Christensen
Band, Chorus

Musicians present concerts and songsters serenade

Chorus awakens hidden talents and fosters music appreciation.





Miss Rosemary Long,
Homemaking



Future homemakers prepare through the Homemaking Department.

Artists and homemakers perfect basic techniques

Recreation and vocational skills are developed in the arts and crafts class.



Mrs. Genevieve Phillips,
Homemaking, Crafts, Art



Dramatics teaches students poise and encourages acting abilities.

Mr. Thomas Lloyd,
English, Dramatics



We perform - on stage, behind the wheel

Mr. Hambly directs sophomores through actual practice in driver training course.



Office Girls



Office girls assist Glenna Mundt in the secretarial work.



Miss Glenna Mundt,
Office Secretary

Library practice class stamps textbooks.



Library



Our custodians cleaned and repaired campus
and buildings.

Left to right: Mr. Raymond Hope, Mr. Mark Quinlin, Mr. James Black.



Our watchman kept vigilance all
through the night.

Bus drivers and custodians give constant service

Faithful bus drivers took hundreds of students to and from school each day.

Left to right: Mr. Earl Houston, Mr. Joseph Lagier, Mr. Earl Ceresaro.





Row I: (left to right) M. Lyons, S. Lewis; Row II: B. Phillips, J. Jacklich, L. Mendosa, K. Hafer, H. Derby, H. Gillingwater, B. Williamson, Miss Aiken, advisor.

Staff Editors

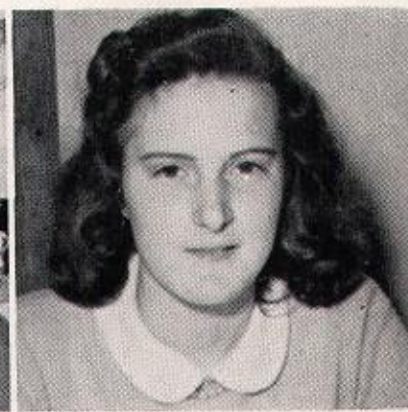
Reporting the News

The Tower newspaper staff, composed of ten staff editors and seventeen reporters, worked under the supervision of Miss Aiken.

Row I: (left to right) E. McDaniel, G. Cotrell, H. Jay, I. Cabral, J. Kirkpatrick, T. Esteves; Row II: E. Silveira, M. Wattel, J. McAlpin, R. Mozzetti, J. Leach, R. Minatre, L. Rhoads.



Shirley Lewis
Co-editor



Mary Lyons
Co-editor



C L A S S E S

*You Have Been My Pal During the Year -
Won't You Sign My Book?*



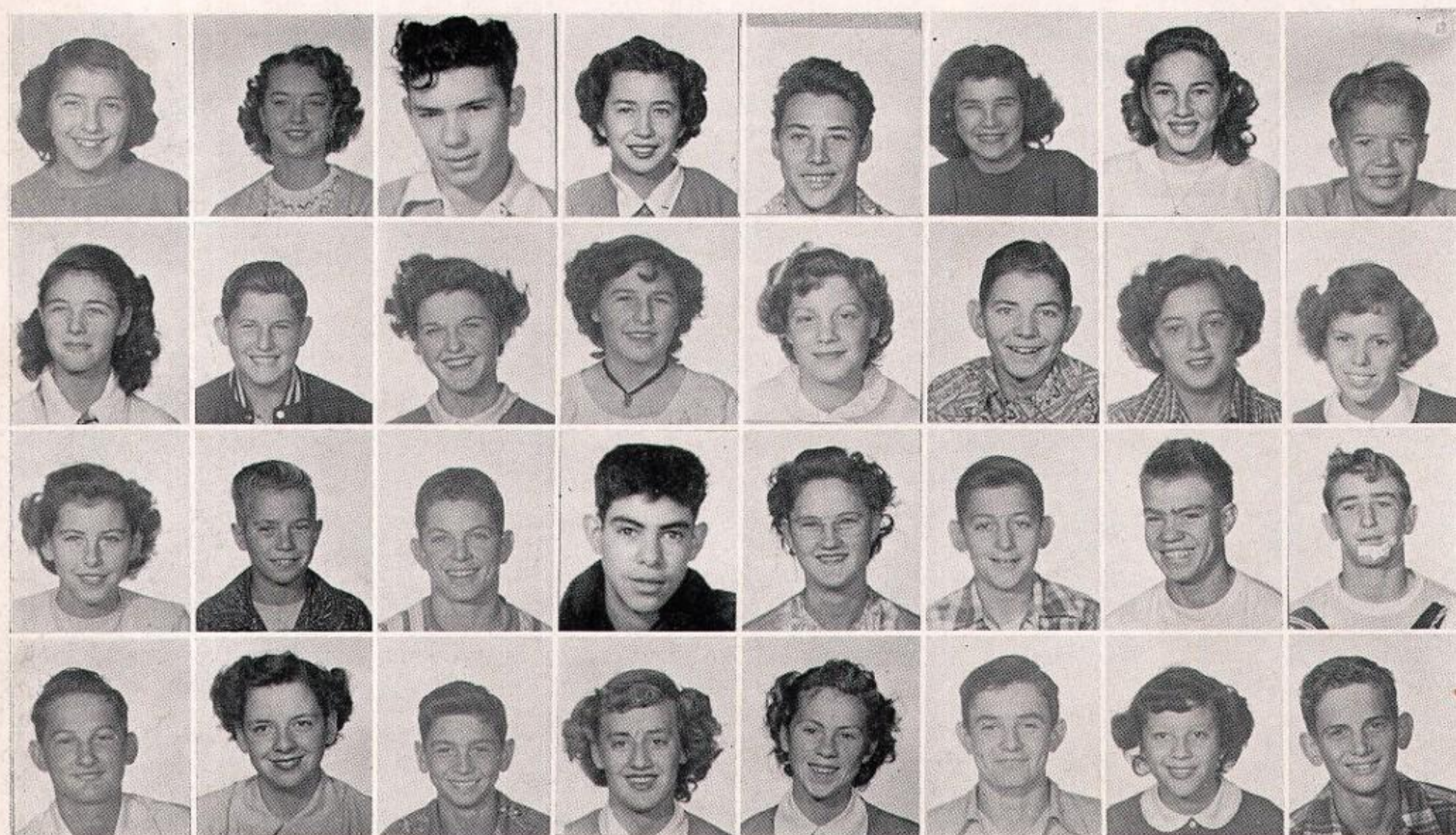


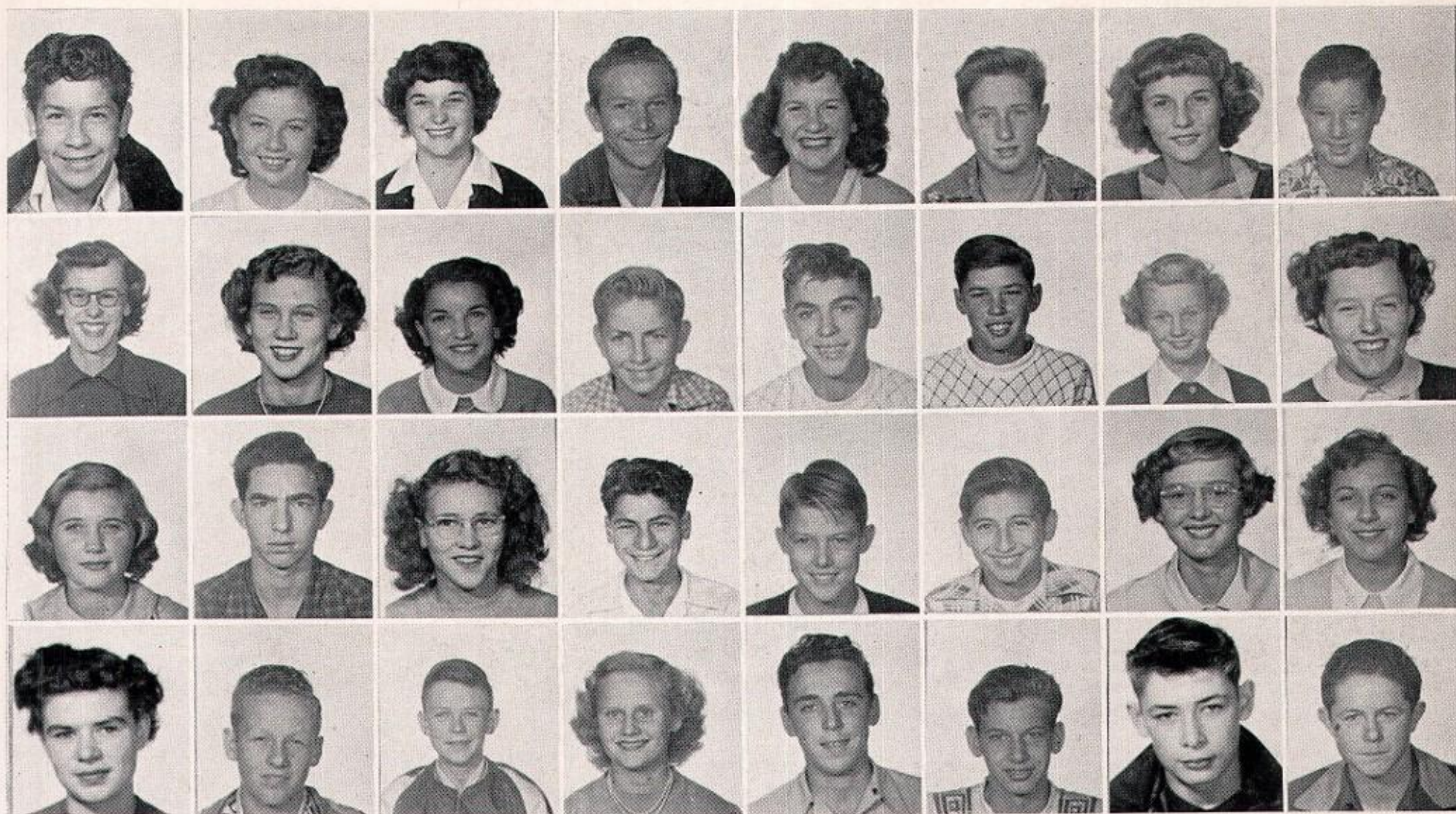
FRESHMEN

Row I: (left to right) T. Spor, L. Conterno, C. Howze; Row II: Advisors, Mr. Shimmim, Miss Long, E. Garcia, L. Hiles, Advisors, Mr. Christensen, Mr. Bisig.

Two hundred and three newcomers timidly, but eagerly, found their way into MUHS halls this year. Enthusiasm in the freshman class was high in this, their first year of high school.

Row I: (left to right) Minerva Aguilar, Lerona Adams, Norman Allen, Barbara Alves, Robert Andrada, Betty Asivido, Margarite Aufdermauer, Hugh Bauer; Row II: Doris Belt, Charles Bennett, Matilda Betschart, Bernice Bettencourt, Jeannie Bludworth, Donald Bordenkircher, Elvira Borges, Annette Brashear; Row III: Marilyn Breitenbucher, Lewis Buchanan, Eldon Buck, Gilbert Calderon, Joyce Cargill, Paul Carvahlo, Grady Cash, Ronald Coffee; Row IV: Jack Coldeweigh, Darlene Cottengim, Larry Conterno, Josephine Copeland, Pat Covington, Edward Cozens, Lupe Cruz, Albert Day.





Row I: (left to right) Boni De Leon, Carolyn De Simas, Jamie Dumber, Frank Du Vall, Arnita Elliott, Lawrence Elliott, Arlene Gehrre, Raymond Frank; Cornelia Galt, Wyoma Gamble, Eleanor Garcia, Alfred Gillingwater, Cleo Gillet, Clifford Gillet, Nancy Glover, Anna Gobel; Row III: Pat Greer, Jerry Grieve, Annie Grissom, Victor Gulli, Richard Gustin, Robert Gutierrez, Carola Henry, Lois Hiles; Row IV: Joyce Hinton, Charles Howze, Clark Ide, Shirley Jackson, Gary Joaquin, Donald Johnson, Barryl Kaiser, Ronald Lacy.

Regular class meetings were held throughout the year under the direction of President Larry Conterno, whose assisting officers were Tommy Spor, vice-president; Eleanor Garcia, secretary; Charles Howze, treasurer; and Lois Hiles, class representative.

Row I: (left to right) Jimmy Lagier, Arlene Lima, Alfred Limas, Marlene Lines, Janice Little, J. R. Long, James Lutes, Duane McAdam; Row II: Vonna-leene McAlary, Delbert McKenzie, James McNames, Albino Macedo, Patricia Mainwaring, Antonette Marchitelli, JoAnn Melchert, Sam Mendosa; Row III: Margaret Meridith, Virgie Merrill, Russell Moorman, Lois Mundt, Rose Navalta, Billy Myatt, Louis Nave, Leon Okerson; Row IV: Marlene Omholt, Duane Owens, Johnny Pappas, Clifford Patton, Lupe Payan, Gene Peterson, Billy Potter, Patricia Powers.





This is an example of the enthusiastic Manteca rooters exercising their tonsils at one of our victorious games.

Mimi, Tania, and Elaine—the three pepsters who never stopped cheering for the little Buffs.



After an exciting game, the Manteca students played host to the Turlock Bulldogs.

Enthusiastic football followers never lost their spirit, but filled the bleachers at every game—and the cheering at the last game was even louder than it was at the first.



Adding "something new" to our campus this year were the colorful songleaders. Armed with vim, vigor and pom-poms, they livened up the games with the stirring tunes of football season.

No one can cheer forever without a little refreshment. Here, during intermission, rooters get something to revive their spirits until the real celebration after the game.





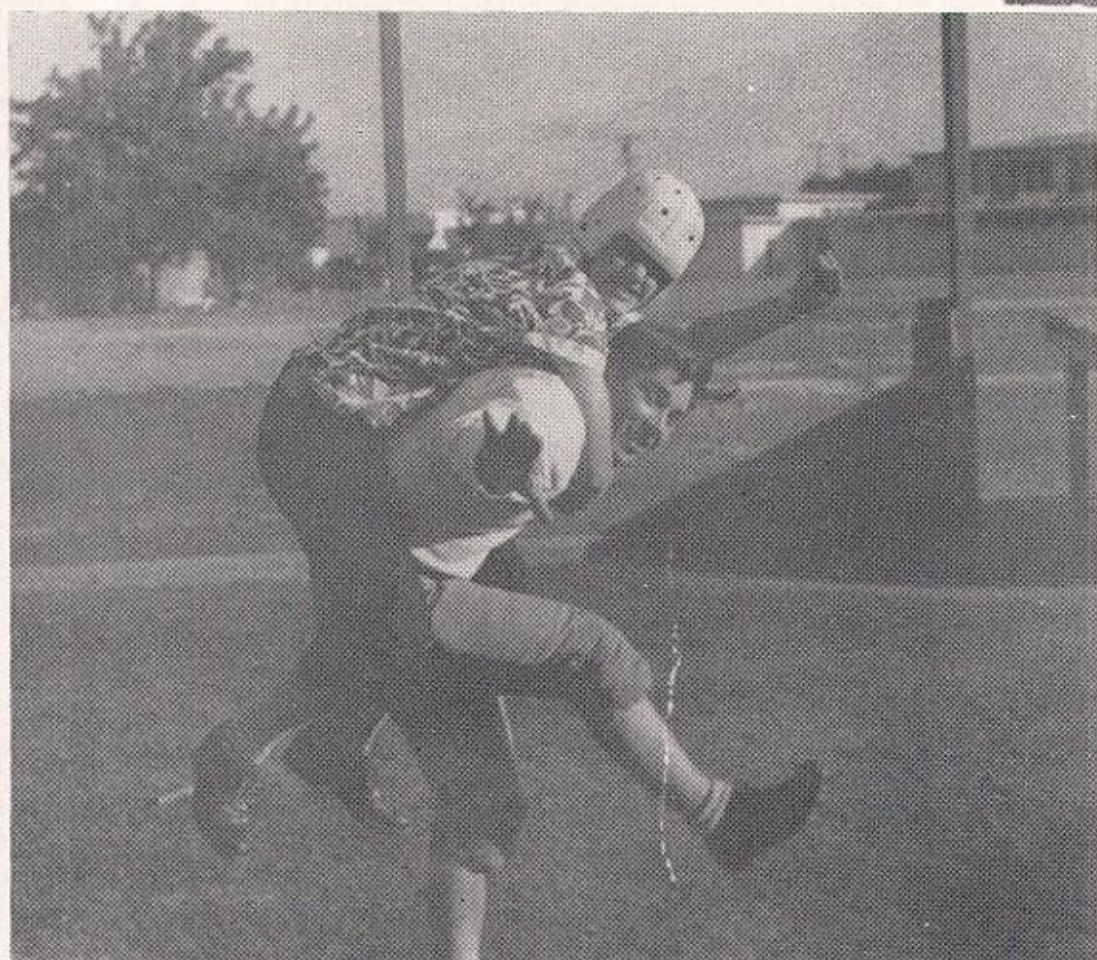
Row I: (left to right) Dixie Raney, Virginia Rubin, Ernestine Reynolds, Bill Rhoads, Louise Richichi, Jimmy Richards, Donald Roberts, J. W. Robertson; Row II: Wanda Robertson, Doretha Rose, Elaine Sanders, Steven Stanz, Bob Scharmann, William Sequeira, Eugene Sequeira, Billy Shelton; Row III: Joyce Silva, Gary Snyder, Marie Southwick, Shirley Ann Souza, Tommy Spor, Jack Stewart, Ada Strahorn, Gerald Teague; Row IV: Irma Telles, Betty Thompson, Duella Thompson, Glen Thornton, Tom Townsend, Danny Triglia, Robert Turk, Janet Valdez.

Class advisors were Miss Long, Mr. Shimmin, and Mr. Bisig. The freshmen participated actively in sports events, assemblies; climaxing the eventful year, they gathered for the freshman dance in April.

Row I: (left to right) Mariano Valenquela, Jim Van Sandt, Blay Viehna, John Vierra, Margaret Verria, Frances Walden, Betty Walker, Mary Waterman; Row II: L. D. Ward, Ronald Weimer, Alton Wilbur, Jerry Wise, Shirley Young, Shirley Yturri.



Bill Harris, carrying the pigskin, invaded Wildcat territory but was tackled by a speedy Sonora man just off paydirt.



Two of Manteca's most promising huskers are seen practicing their football plays early in the season.

A spectacular dash by Jack Gatto in the last minute of the Tracy game tallied six more points for the Buffaloes.



SOPHOMORES

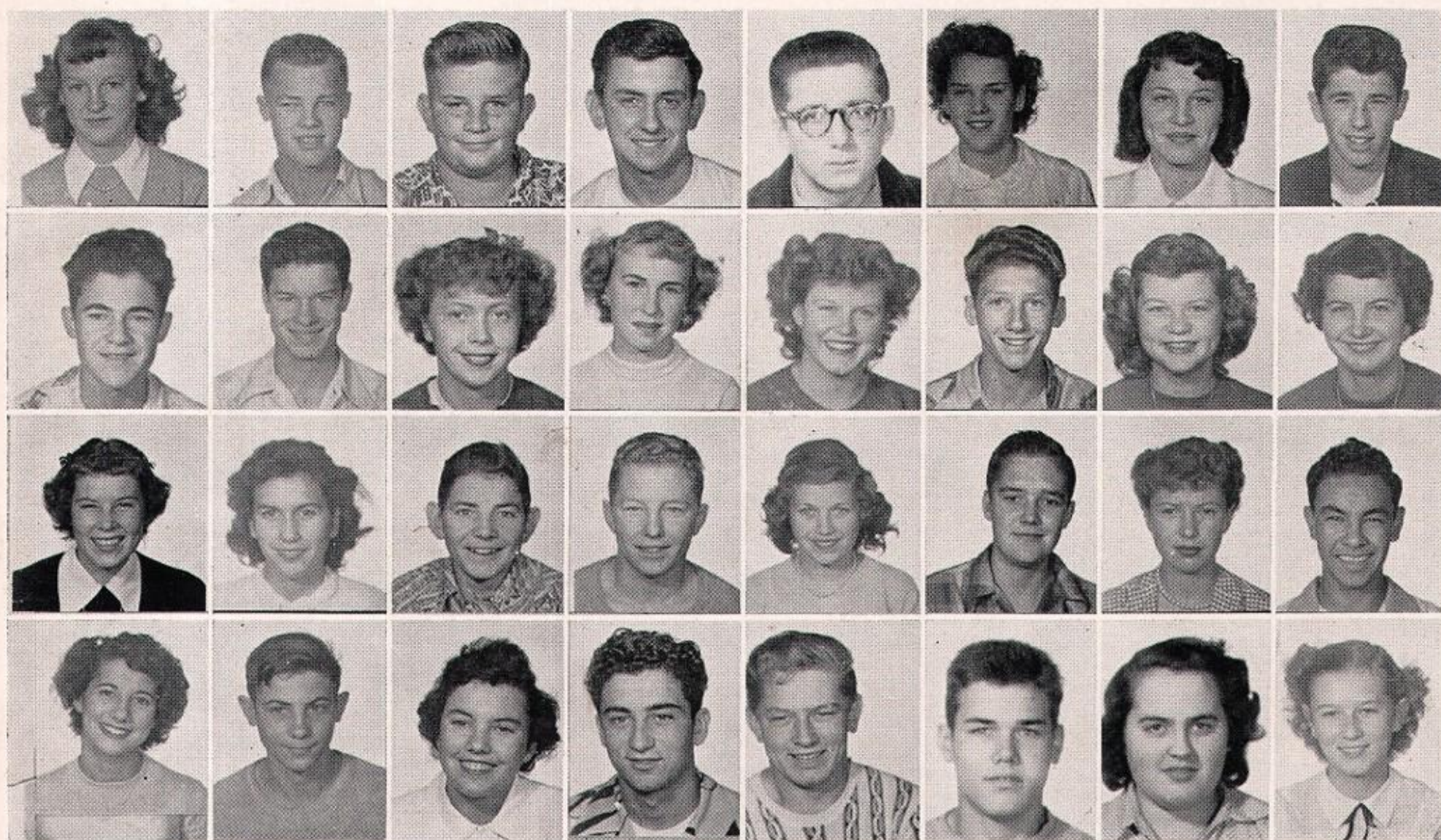


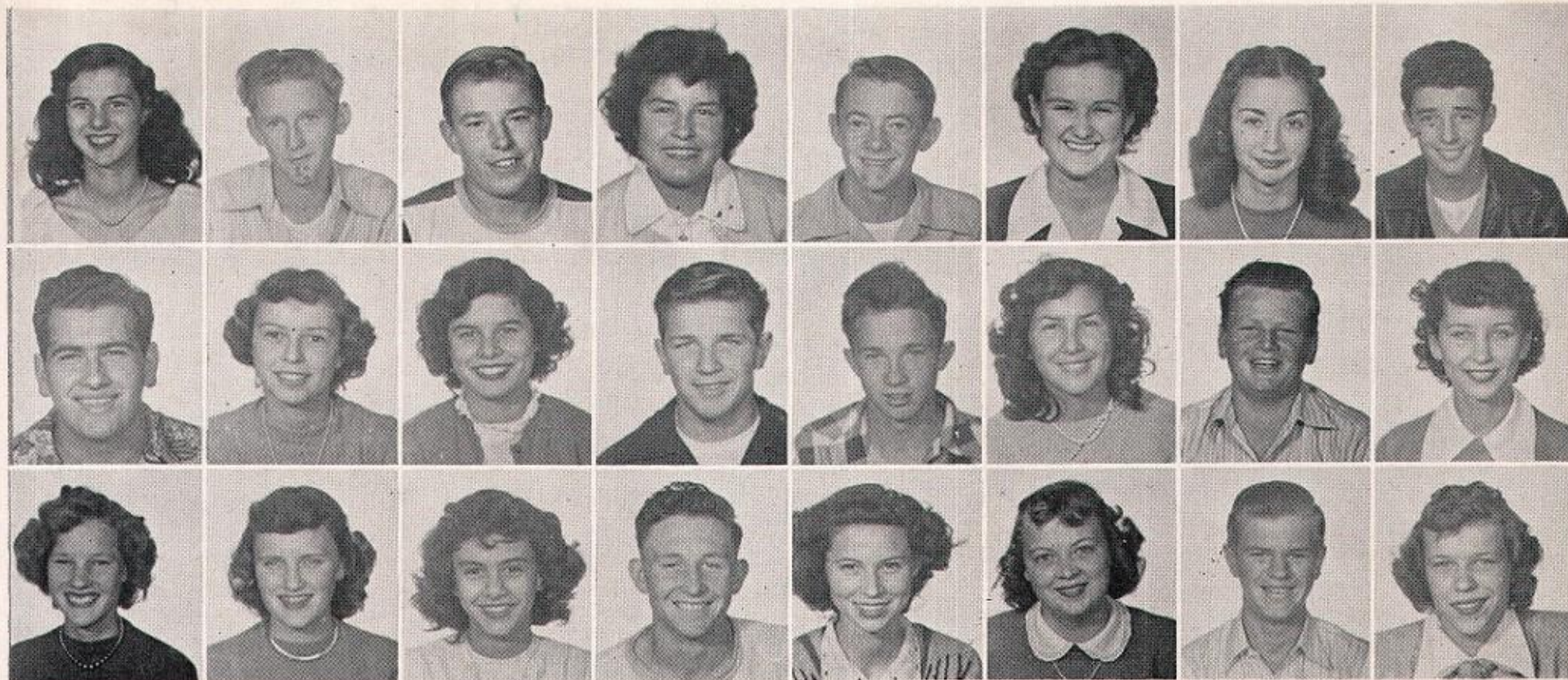
Row I: (left to right) G. Buck, J. Williamson, J. Lombardo; Row II: Advisor, Mrs. Downer, P. Morris, Advisors, Mr. Norton, Mr. Yakopin.

This year's sophomore class was one of the largest in the history of the school. One hundred and forty-two students were enrolled.

Starting the year traditionally, the sophomores elected officers.

Row I: (left to right) Carol Adams, Joe Anderson, Peter Aldrich, Wayne Alves, Roger Anderson, Joann Anderson, Judy Arbuthnot, Pete Arizcuren; Row II: Anthony Azevedo, Ernest Barlow, Barbara Burson, Dorothy Best, Rosemarie Betschart, Rex Blocker, Mary Bodin, June Borges; Row III: Joanne Brändow, Irene Brazil, R Brudernich, Glen Buck, Lillian Bunker, Gene Beatle, Irene Cabral, Malrubio Cabrera; Row IV: Joe Camara, Mary Belle Conde, Manuel Cardoza, Ted Cassidy, Guy Chamberlain, Lela Mae Copeland, Marlene Costanzi.





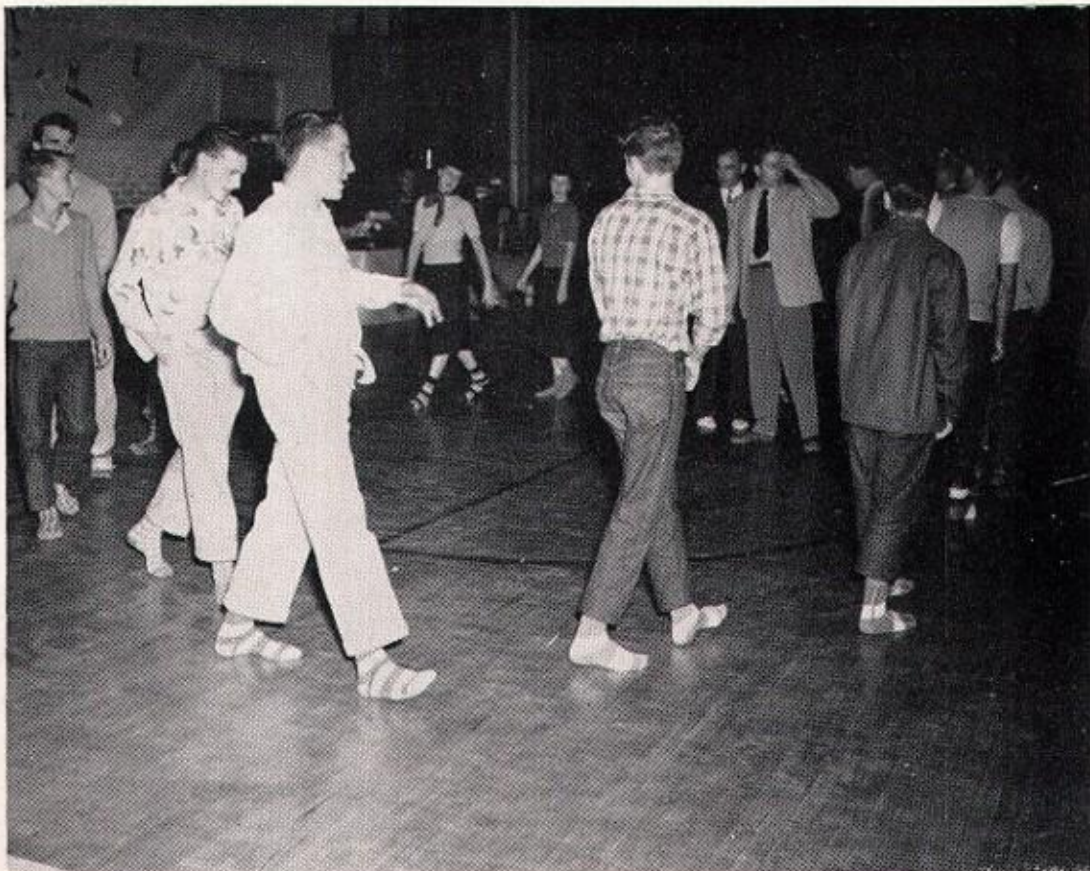
Row I: (left to right) Myrtle Curry, Tommy Davis, Leo de Graaf, Mary De Leon, Earl Derby, Beverly Derrick, Alice Duarte, Frank Duran; Row II: Walter Edwards, Ramona Eichoff, Ruby Elliott, Gail Elliott, Marion Elliott, Evelyn Ferreira, Merelin Foss, Katherine Foster; Row III: Margaret Frohardt, Darlene Fry, Arlene Furtado, Bill Gibson, Marie Goings, Wilma Golding, Truman Goudy, Barbara Green.

The class was led throughout the year by Jack Williamson, president; Glen Buck, vice-president; Joan Lombardo, secretary; Pat Morris, treasurer; and Manual Cardoza, sergeant at arms.

The class has been active in all sports and has participated in student activities in the school.

Row I: (left to right) Stanley Harris, Clarence Harvey, Keith Heinsohn, Arelene Hicks, Barbara Hope, Malcolm Huckabee, Dorothy Irvin, Phyllis Jay; Row II: Gene Johnson, Morris King, Harry Lauderbaugh, Bonnie Lauritson, Joan Lombardo, Carl Lycans, Betty Lucas, Richard Mabee; Row III: Jack Marrs, Joe Mattes, Duane Mayfield, Leslie McCurdy, Carol McGraw, Jim McKee, Wanda Meeker, Carl Melchert; Row IV: Rosemary Mello, Lee Ann Merjano, Mary Sue Millner, Ernest Moniz, Sally Moreno, Pat Morris, Dolores Navalta, Lucille Nichols.





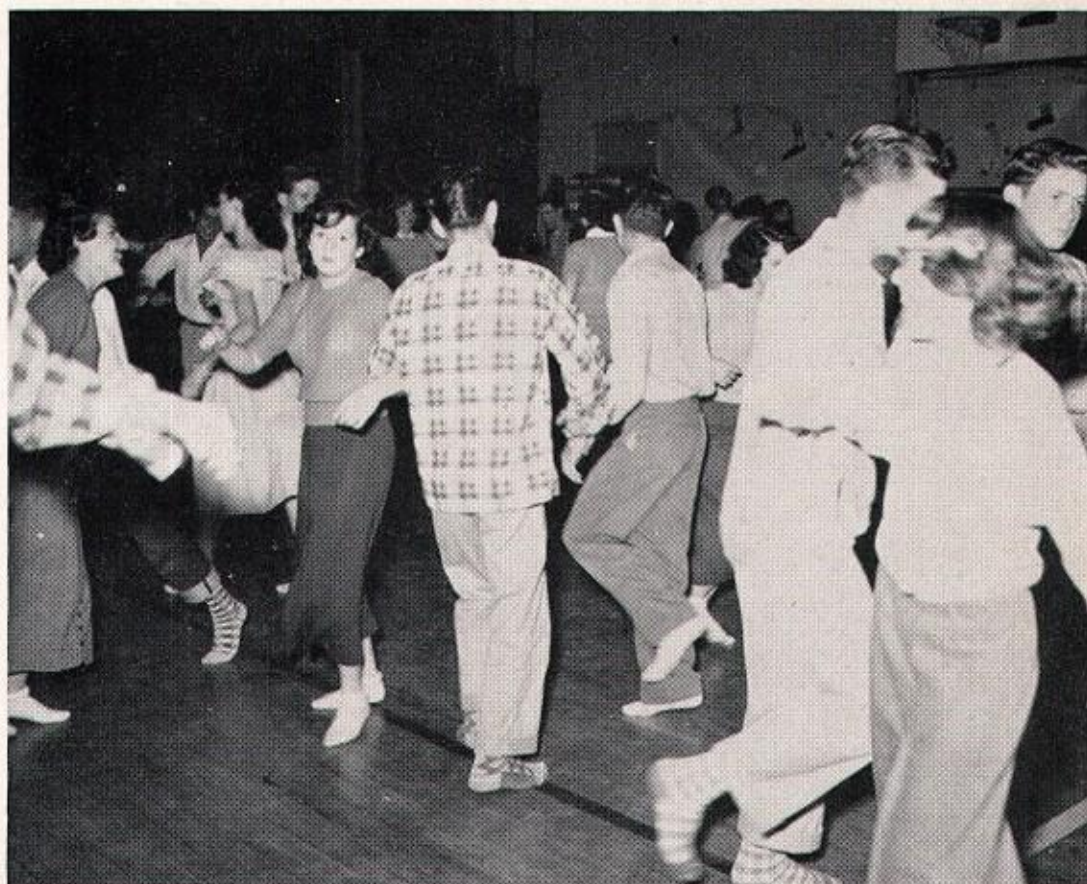
Pair after pair of brightly colored socks marching around in a circle—judges Mr. Phillips and Mr. Yakopin had to decide which were brightest. Shirley Jacklich and Jack Keisner were chosen as having the loudest taste in socks. Their prizes? what else—a pair of bright yellow socks!

If there's one thing that's taboo at a sock dance—it's shoes. Mary Etta Peerson and Frankie Webb didn't let anyone get past the door with shoes on and J. R. Long is sacrificing shoes and dignity for fun and comfort.



Dancing in their stocking feet was a new experience for most of the people there but from the happy expressions on the faces of the dancers the introduction of the sock dance at M. U. H. S. can only be described as a sensational success!

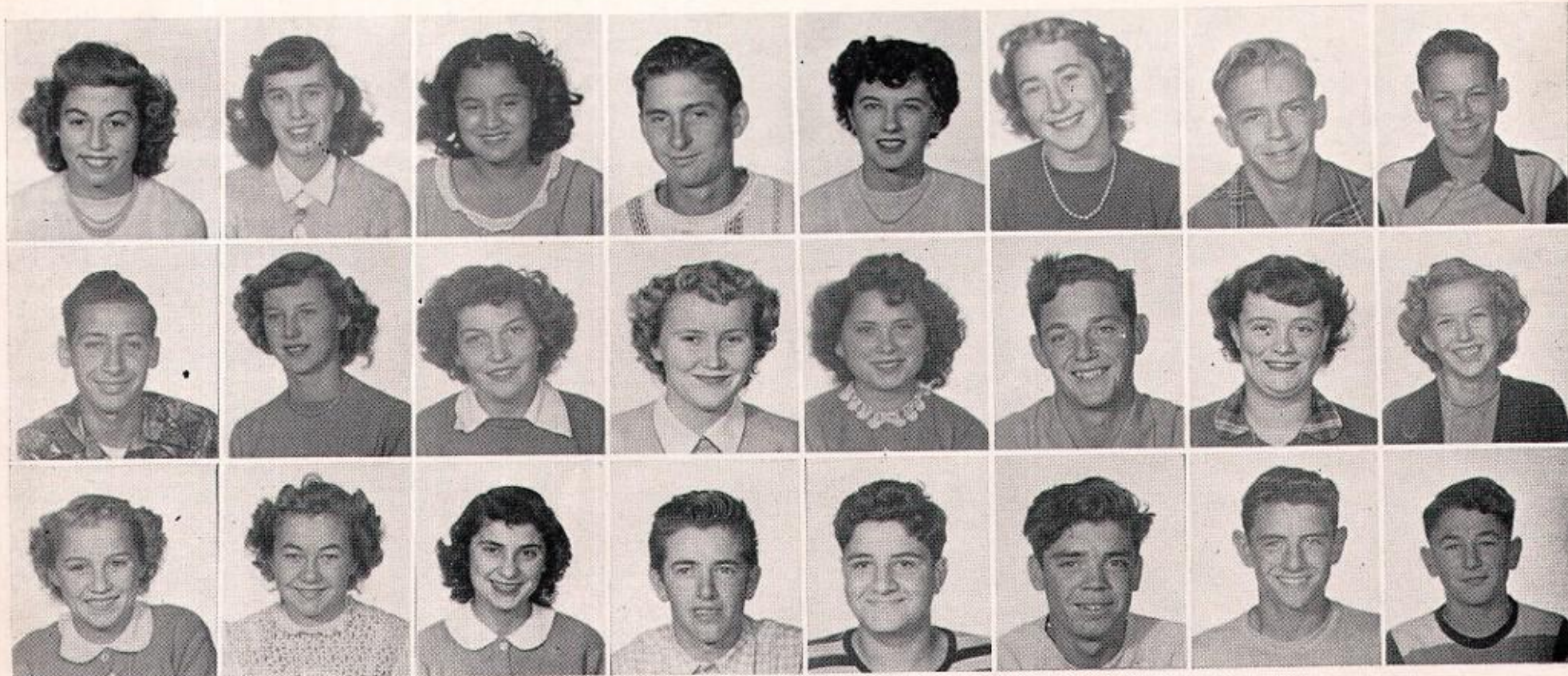
There was much laughter and many mistakes as the more daring souls practiced the new dance, "raspa". Although Cornelia Galt and Jack Leach seem to have conquered it, Margie Little is still bewildered by the whole thing.



Shirley Jacklich takes time out to change the record and doesn't seem a bit afraid of the large threatening sock on the wall behind her. Oh well, maybe she was just used to socks by then.

At any social gathering in Manteca (and we suppose, anywhere else,) refreshments always seem to be in order. At MUHS it is only natural to see these happy people eating and resting at the close of an eventful evening. And sure enough, there it is, peeking out from underneath Myrtle Curry's table—a sock!





Row I: (left to right) Jessie Olivearia, Agnes Osterman, Angela Ovando, Richard Pedro, Mary Etta Peerson, Georgie Piccinini, Dean Porterfield, Richard Quintal; Row II: Alvin Raggio, Donna Ratto, Alice Rice, Barbara Rieger, Dorothy Reicker, Jim Roberts, Arlene Rocha, Elaine Roessler; Row III: Bernita Romero, Janet Sanders, Joan Sanquinette, Tony Schleiss, Frank Scarlata, Lester Shaw, Ernest Silva, Manuel Silva.

Although they are lower classmen, they have proven that there are many leaders in their midst.

Their advisors, Mrs. Downer, Mr. Norton, and Mr. Yakopin, helped plan the annual Hop which was on March 25, with an Easter theme.

Row I: Ray Silva, Elsie Simas, Norma Sinesio, Milton Snelling, Bernice Souza, Ray Stinnett, Laurence Steves, LaVern Stockton; Row II: Jewel Strait, Rose Tarantino, Elsie Telles, Ernest Thomsen, Lewis Thomson, Dean Townsend, Mary Treff, Alice Vasconcellos; Row III: Jim Vezaldenos, K. Vezaldenos, Frances Webb, John Weimer, Alvin Weis, Ray Wells, Sam Wheeler, Paul Wiggin; Row IV: Jack Williamson, Joyce Wilson, Richard Wilson, Waymon Wright, Ed Wunderlich, Robert Wunsch, Bob Zanetti.



Songbirds Tillie Esteves, Wally Shirk, and Truman Collins are hurrying toward chorus for fifty-five minutes of making merry music! Not so enthusiastic is Pat Woodworth, bringing up the rear-maybe she had a frog in her throat.



If 7th period gym weren't already rough the introduction of a new sport made it even more so. Tumbling added its bit towards making the gym the most dangerous spot in school. Here is a shining example as Bob Williamson, who looks as though he is a casualty of former ventures, cheers the boys on to greater heights. Even though most of these pyramids ended in a scramble of arms and legs, the boys, and girls, too, had a lot of fun, and tumbling has come to stay at M.U.H.S.

The first football rally of the year—and for the seniors the starting of their last high-school football season. What a glorious and unforgettable season it was. Once the cheering got started the seniors joined in and never stopped until they cheered their boys on to the championship.



JUNIORS



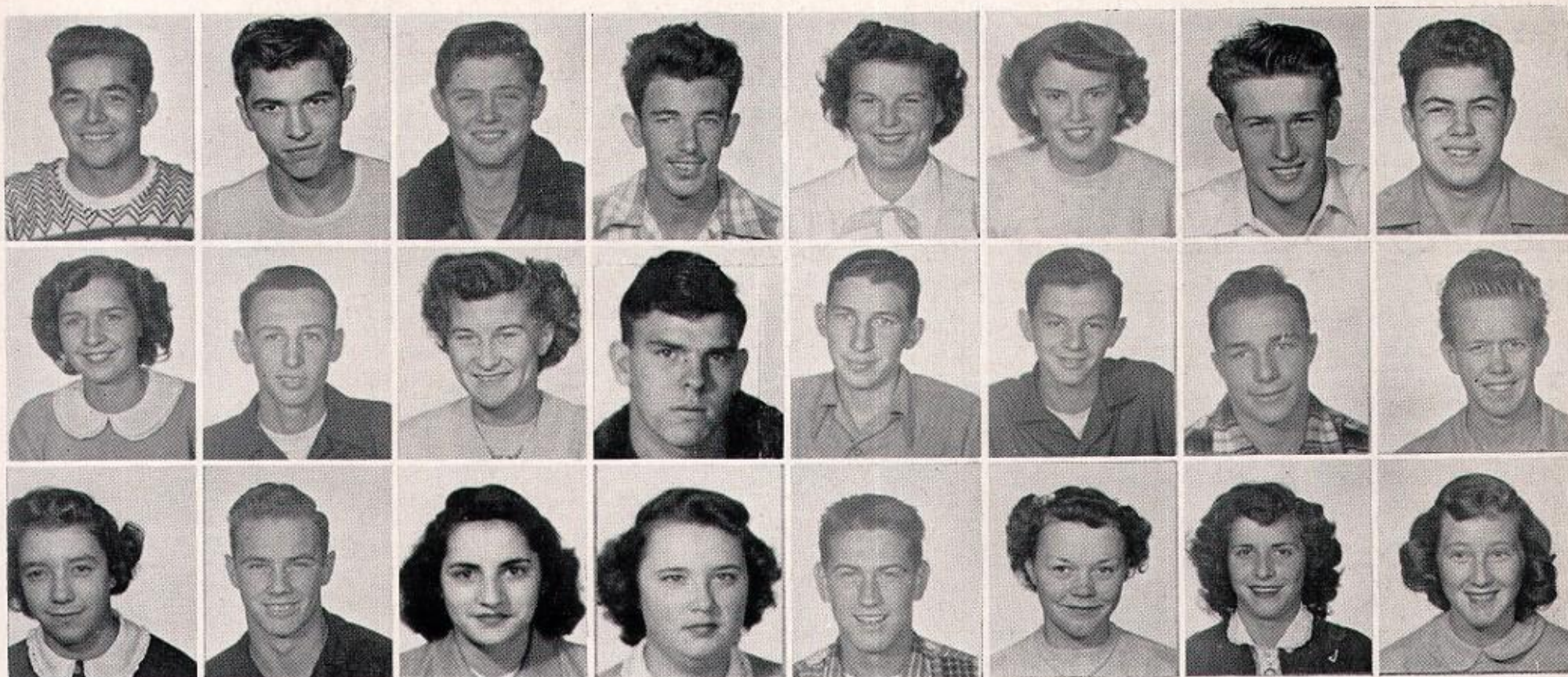
Row I: (left to right) A. Jay, R. Dellavecchia, K. Grieve; Row II: Advisors, Mrs. Phillips, Mr. Lloyd, D. Gomes, Advisors, Mr. Brandt, Mr. Osterhaus.

The junior class would like to bring to your attention this record of the years events of which they are justly proud.

The juniors of '50 embarked upon their junior year under the capable leadership of Ray Dellavecchia, president, who was assisted by Arlie Jay, vice-president; Dorothy Gomes, secretary; Keith Grieve, treasurer; Bob Acoba, representative.

Row I: (left to right) Robert Acoba, Arlene Allen, Dolores Alves, Shirley Archer, Frank Aufdermaur, Eugene Balantac, Frances Barrett, Jeannie Bellis; Row II: Inez Blocker, Henry Braghetta, Larry Brashear, Joe Brooks, Kenneth Brooks, Connie Button, Ben Byrd, John Cabrera; Row III: Leonora Caetano, Carlos Camara, Dorothy Cardoza, Frank Chacon, Mural Chandler, Gary Coffee, Gail Cotrell, Marvin Couser; Row IV: Carleen Cox, David Crockett, Roberta Cruz, Ernest Cummings, Kenneth Dahm, Donna Davis, Ray Dellavecchia, Carmen Dickman.





Row I: (left to right) George Dimotakis, Max Domingo, Harry Downing, Richard Duarte, Arlonne Duncan, Beverly Elliott, Charles Elmer, Robert Escobar; Row II: Pat Ettle, Eddie Filbin, Barbara Fishback, Charles Forbes, Clifford Foss, Aurelia Garcia, Howard Harrison, Wayne Gobel; Row III: Dorothy Gomes, Keith Grieve, Josephine Gulli, Dorinda Hallett, Harley Hardesty, Pat Hardin, Jean Gilley, Kay Helman.

They weathered the year and are another step closer to the goal that has always seemed just out of reach. Since they have realized that the burden will fall upon them as next year's seniors, many of the members of this class were active on the Tower staff, in sports events, and in the California Scholarship Federation.

Row I: (left to right) Loyal Hicks, Wilma Hibdon, Alliene Holt, Charles Honodel, Coleen Howze, Vincent Indelicato, Arlie Jay, Herman Jay; Row II: Wayne Johnson, Josephine Kent, Jean Kirkpatrick, Kay Knoll, Joanne Lagier, Jack Leach, Joanne Lines, Margie Little; Row III: Joan Loumena, Nohemi Lozano, Tania Lozano, Ed Lucas, Mearl Lucken, Bernice Macedo, Alice Mar, Jim Martin; Row IV: Erma McDaniel, Stanley McDaniel, La June McDonald, Laura Mendes, Shirley Miles, Milan Miner, James Moorman, Darlene Morris.





Proud members of the Block M escort their lucky ladies to the much anticipated Block M Banquet. The boys reminisced and the girls were thrilled to see their fellows in action, when movies were shown of the Buffs' past victories and defeats of a thrilling year.

The guest speaker was Coach Earl Klapstein, who coached the champions of 1948 and started Manteca on a winning streak. Although Mr. Klapstein has gone to Stockton College, the boys who played under his guidance will always remember him as their own coach.



Of course the real purpose of any banquet is to eat, and the fried chicken and hot apple pie topped with ice cream will be remembered by all who attended as the finishing touch to a perfect evening!

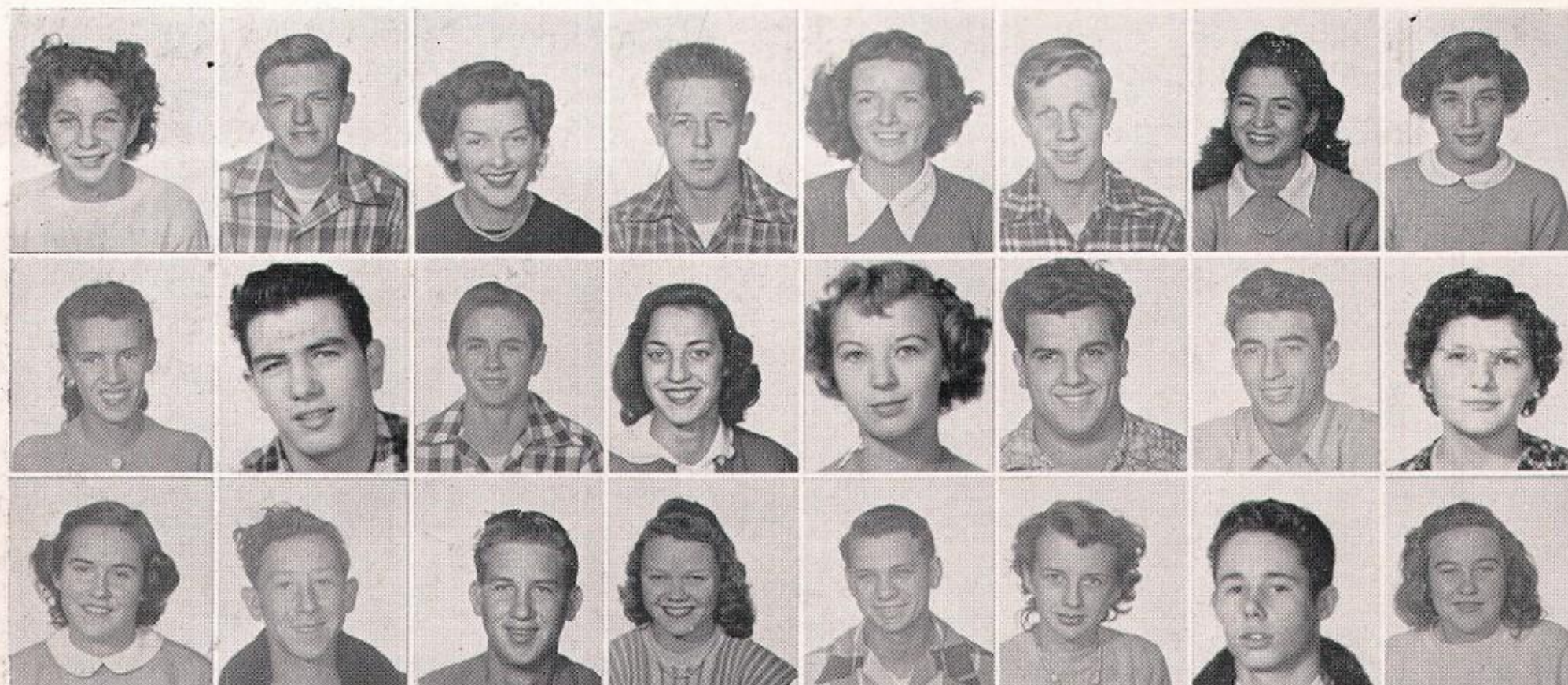
Hayseeds grabbed their honeys and came to the FFA Barn Dance held in the new gymnasium. The square dances were called by Jack Stewart and his orchestra.



The excitement ran high as votes for the queen were being counted. Darlene Davey roped in the most, and became reigning gal for an evening of fun as everyone stepped lively on the "swing yer partner."

Ye olde West was again the theme of the rootin' tootin' Ag informal. The gay streamers from the ceiling hung down to the bales of hay on the floor—it was no place for people with hay fever.





Row I: (left to right) Rosalyn Mozzetti, Larry Munger, Gloria Murty, James Myatt, Norma Omholt, Karl Omlin, Carmen Ovando, Elaine Pappas; Row II: Barbara Payan, Delbert Pedro, Jerry Pendergraft, Dorothy Peters, Betty Phillips, Tommy Pollino, Raymond Quaresma, Anna Quinlin; Row III: Libby Rhoads, William Rhodes, Ed Sanders, Josephine Sanderson, William Sarina, Ada Lee Sellers, Ralph Shaffer, Florence Shembarger.

Among the many occasions and exciting activities of the year were the election, the selection and arrival of class rings, the hard work on the junior play, "Footloose", and the Junior Fun Nite, climaxed by the thrilling and memorable Junior Prom.

Row I: (left to right) Kathryn Shepherd, Lawrence Shirk, Beverly Silva, Elsie Silveira, Chuck Snyder, Bernadette Soares, Melvin Southern, Dolly Southwick; Row II: Shirley Stewart, Barbara Stillwell, Sarah Lou Terry, Celeste Texeira, Marie Thomas, Kenneth Thompson, Alice Thompson, Frances Tipton; Row III: Roger Travis, Joan Turley, Teddy Valdez, George Vezaldenos, Marshall Wattel, Patricia Welch, Marilyn Wells, Laura Wheeler; Row IV: Warren White, Francis Wiggin, Pat Woodworth, Kerma Lee Wright, Rona'd Youngman, Elgin Yturri.



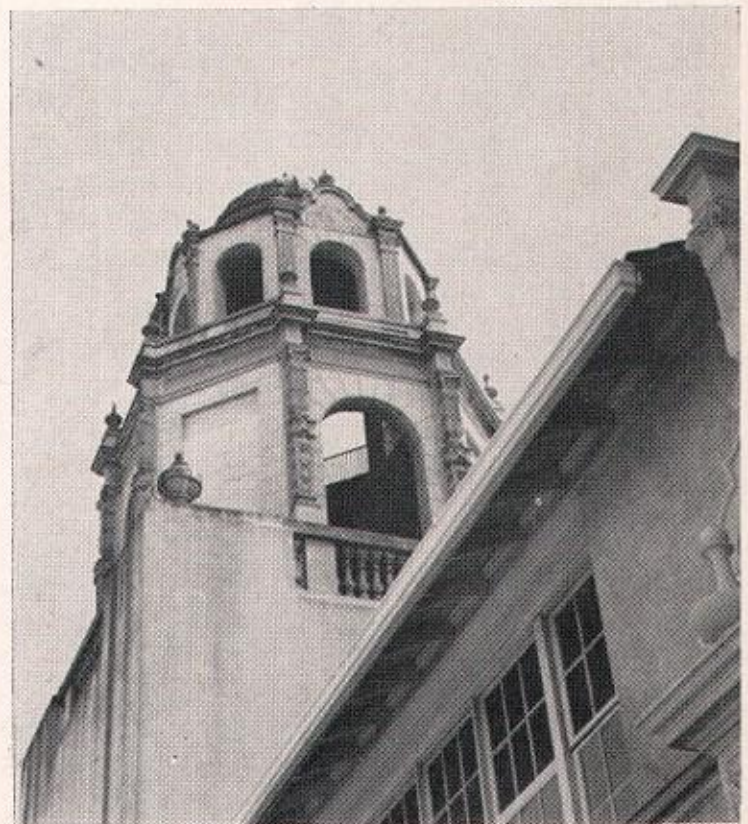


Can those be seniors?
The big wheels
Somebody was thirsty

Hawaiian Love Song
Mountain Justice—Judge Hafer presiding
Bob Williamson—Our popular prexy

**COMMITTEES
and
ORGANIZATIONS**

*We Had a Swell Time Socially -
Would You Like to Comment?*





Shirley Jacklich,
Vice President



Lucille Mendosa,
President

The Girls' League, headed by Lucille Mendosa, began its activities with the Big and Little Sister party. Following was the annual Christmas assembly. Breaking away from the traditional Hi-Jinks, the Girls' League had an exchange meeting with Oakdale organization. For that something different, the League sponsored a Big and Little Sister Luncheon. The year's activities ended with the Mothers' Tea.

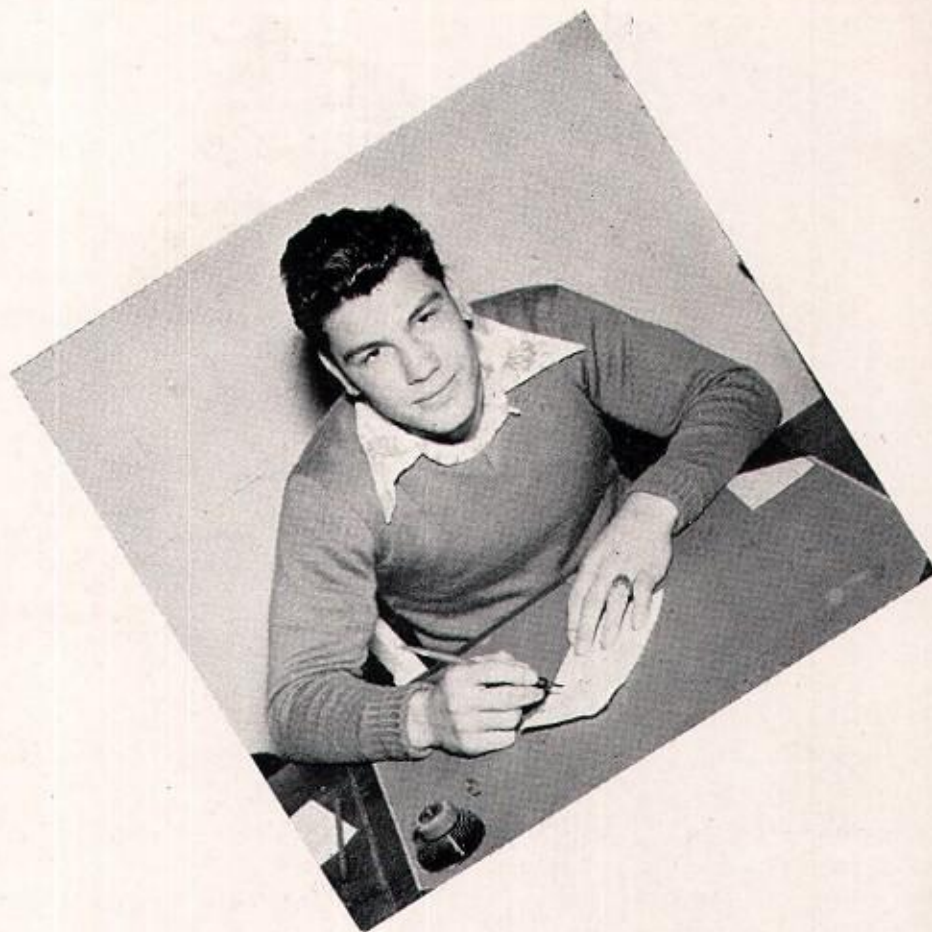
The girls organized, entertained, performed

Assisting officers were A. Ott, historian; D. Cardoza, secretary; D. Southwich, representative; V. Piccinini, treasurer; Miss Hoffman, advisor.





Dick King, president



Paul Sanchez, vice-president

The Boys' League is an organization which includes every boy in high school. It corresponds with the Girls' League. The League functions were under the direction of Dick King, president; Paul Sanchez, vice-president; Jess Payan, secretary; Richard Noack, treasurer; and Arthur Nunes, representative.

Row I: (left to right) Jess Payan, Art Nunes, Rich Noack; Row II: Mr. J. Yakopin.





Quill & Scroll

Membership in Quill and Scroll is reserved for outstanding staff members, either from the yearbook or newspaper, who meet the basic requirements. The group activity was an initiation banquet.

Elected officers were Mary Lyons, president; Hallie Gillingwater, secretary-treasurer, representative; Shirley Jacklich, vice-president.

Quill and Scroll officers are S. Jacklich, M. Lyons, H. Gillingwater.

Honor societies hail journalistic

Members of Quill and Scroll are S. Jacklich, L. Mendosa, B. Wheeler, M. Lyons, H. Derby, H. Gillingwater, Miss Aiken, advisor.



C. S. F.

The California Scholarship Federation honors students with high scholastic averages.

C.S.F. 'ers attended Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar", at the College of Pacific Little Theater, and presided over the C. S. F. District Meet in the fall.

Spring officers were Mimi Lozano, president; Shiro Hotta, vice-president; Elaine Pappas, secretary; Shirley Jacklich, treasurer.

Seal-bearers and recipients of gold life pins are Shirley Lewis, Shiro Hotta, Jack Potter and Agatha Ott.



Governing officers are Shirley Jacklich, Mimi Lozano, Elaine Pappas.

and scholastic achievements

C.S.F. members are: Row I. (left to right) B. Silva, S. Lewis, J. Loumena, M. Lozano, F. Barrett; Row II: A. Ott, S. Hotta, D. Cardoza, E. McDaniel, J. Lagier; Row III: S. Jacklich, B. Williamson, M. Huckabee, J. Potter, H. Jay, R. Minatre, S. Stewart.





Row I: (left to right) A. Ott, F. Barrett, V. Piccinini; Row II: T. Collins, L. Shirk, Mr. Phillips, advisor, L. Elliott plan student assemblies.

Good times and get-togethers are their concern

Sponsors of student social events are: (left to right) Mr. Osterhaus, advisor, C. Henry, M. Lozano, B. Wheeler, R. Dellavecchia, D. Keisner, N. Sinesio.





The Junior Red Cross contributed to needy causes. Row I: (left to right) P. Welch, V. Piccinini, K. Knoll; Row II: Mrs. Downer, advisor, G. Johnson, J. Jacklich, S. Young, B. Bettencourt, R. Noack, D. Best.

The home and nation benefit from their services

The Future Homemakers worked for better home and family living. Row I: (left to right) Advisor, Mrs. Phillips, P. Covington, C. Galt, M. Breitenbucher, J. Valdez, L. Hiles, M. Camara, Advisor, Miss Long; Row II: S. Yturri, S. Jackson, M. Aguilar, D. Fortuny, M. Richinia, N. Sinesio, J. Sanguinetti, J. Lombardo, J. Copeland, C. de Simas, M. Bunker, J. Bludworth.





BLOCK M LEADERS INCLUDE:

Row I: (left to right) B. Harris, R. Camarena, P. Sanchez; Row II: A. Nunes, R. Noack, Mr. Theiler, advisor, D. King

Boys who have earned their Block through participation in at least half of the football, basketball or baseball games gain membership in the Block M Society.

Activities included the annual football banquet and initiation. 1949-50 officers were Roy Camarena, president; Arthur Nunes, vice-president; Bill Harris, secretary; Richard Noack, treasurer; Paul Sanchez, sergeant at arms; Dick King, representative.

Our athletes display their cherished "M's"

BLOCK M MEMBERS ARE:

Row I: (left to right) J. Triglia, R. Noack, R. Phillips, P. Arizcuren, P. Sanchez, A. Nunes, J. Keisner, R. Dellavecchia, J. Cabrera, E. Angerina; Row II: Mr. Theiler, A. Hoffman, D. King, W. Johnson, J. Gatto, J. Payan, H. Brockman, R. Camarena, B. Grieve, M. Gikas; Row III: B. Bennett, B. Harris, J. Williamson, J. Reichmuth, B. Duncan, B. Campbell, C. Snyder, K. Grieve, L. Brashear, T. Cassidy, C. Honodel, F. Wiggin.



The Girls' Athletic Association serves a threefold purpose: it stimulates interest in sports, helps girls discover their athletic abilities, and cooperates with the physical education department at the high school. Insignias, numerals, blocks, stars, and gold M's are all awarded in succession, according to degrees of achievement.

Initiation of new members, an annual play day, an assembly and the GAA snow trip constituted the group's activities.



MGAA officers are L. Mendosa, R. Roberts, S. Jacklich, Mrs. Prouty, advisor, Mrs. Downer, advisor, C. Turk, A Ott.

Girls compete in intramural contest

Row I: (left to right) S. Jacklich J. Borges, T. Lozano, E. McDaniel, P. Hardin, M. Lozano, D. Gomes, R. Roberts, L. Mendosa, F. Webb, J. Lombardo, A. Mar, C. Adams, J. Wilson, P. Morris; Row II: Mrs. Prouty, J. McAlpin, J. Sanquinette, M. Little, T. Esteves, N. Sinesio, G. Piccinini, D. Ratto, C. Turk, V. Johnston, J. Allen, H. Gillingwater, J. Sanderson, D. Cardoza, J. Jacklich, A. Ott, D. Southwick; Row III: S. Lewis, A. Hicks, M. Chandler A. Holt, N. Arbuthnot, J. Borges, J. Strait, I. Valenzuela, B. Swagerty, B. Stillwell, Mrs. Downer.





Ed Angerina, as Teddy Roosevelt, charged to fame in the senior production.

Seniors donned grease paint for "Arsenic & Old Lace"

The audience applauded Glen Elkins as the sly Dr. Einstein; Bob Williamson as the scrupulous nephew Jonathan; Shirley Jacklich and Barbara Swagerty as the sweet, thoughtful old maids.

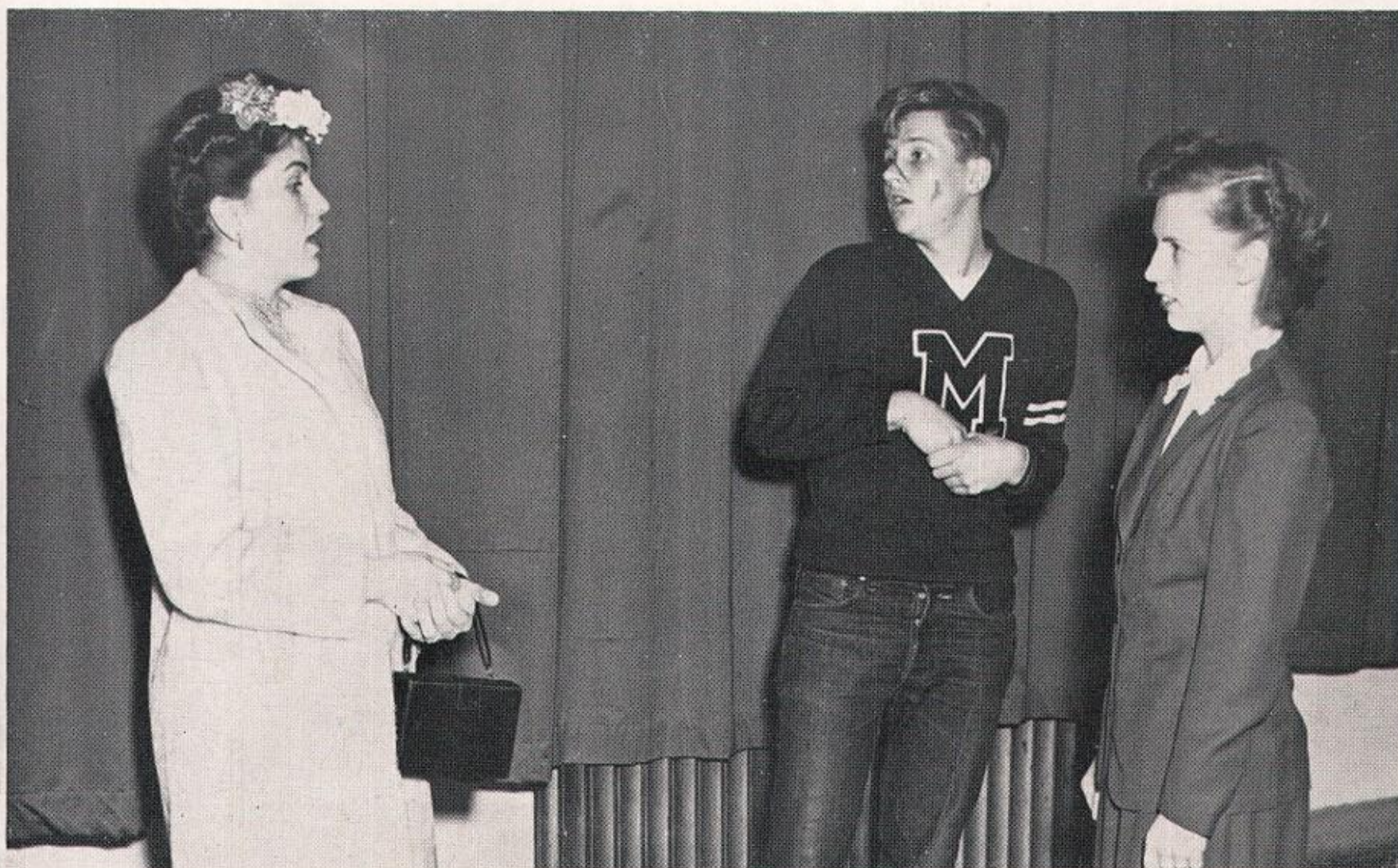




Mimi Lozano, as the youthful Mary Early, is seen with Jack Leach, portraying Randy Cunningham, in the junior class production of "Footloose".

Curtain! Juniors on stage!

Carlene Cox, portraying the sophisticated Mrs. Forester; Mearl Lucken, as the mischievous Bob Early; Barbara Stillwell, as Hope Early, make a hit in "Footloose".





Each year commercial students compete in national contests.

These students devote leisure time

Joint business meetings and parties rated high with FBLA members.





Los Picaros, with Miss Puccinelli advising, enjoyed a Spanish feast, a dance, and a barbecue together.

to valuable, pertinent activities

The purpose of the Future Business Leaders of America is to develop business leadership and character and to encourage students to improve standards for commercial occupations.

The officers for the year were June Allen, president; Virginia Piccinini and Alliene Holt, vice-presidents; Janet Brown, secretary; Irene Valenzuela, treasurer; Dorothy Cardoza, representative. The organization is under the direction of Miss Lothrop, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Naiman.

FBLA is proud of its national award





Freshmen and Sophomore agriculture students practice repairing farm equipment.

The Future Farmers of America continually establish

"Learning to do, doing to learn, learning to live, and living to serve" is the FFA motto.





Keeping the Ag Department clean are Tony Camera and Austin Hoffman, while in the background Eddie Sequeria and Pete Meredith put away some tools.

remarkable records of achievement

Junior and Senior agriculture students: Row I: (left to right) Peter Meredith, Bill Bennett, Jimmy Lopes, George Texiera, Art Nunes, Mike Gikas, Eddie Sequeria, Wallace Copeland, Tony Camera; Row II: James Siewert, Donald Montgomery, advisors, Karl Omlin, Warren White, Raymond Quaresma, Del Pedro, Jim Martin, Howard Harrison; Row III: Carols Camera, Kenneth Dahm, Carlo Bagnasco, Ed Filben, Frank Aufdermauer, Clifford Foss, Ken Brooks...



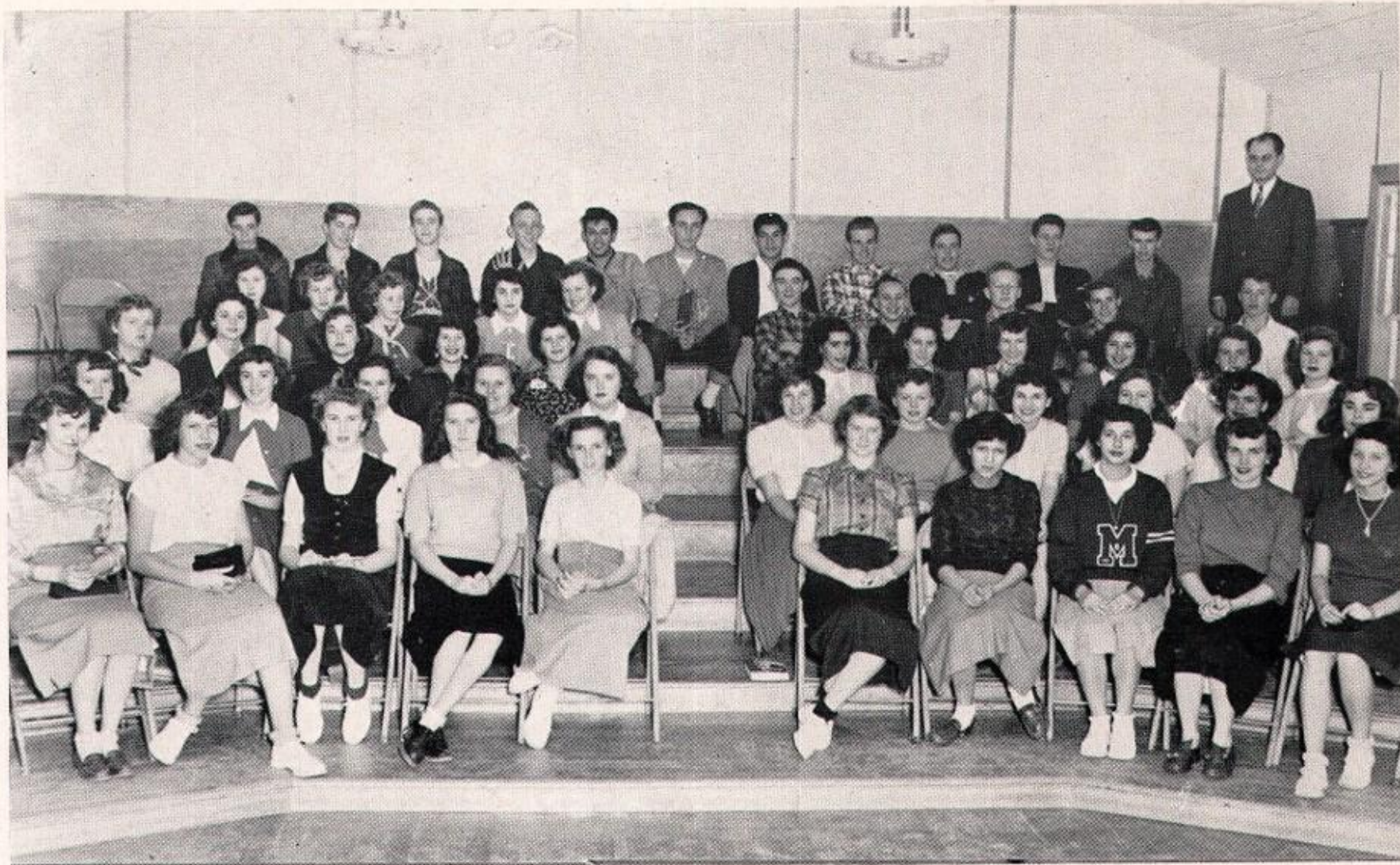


Participation at the annual East-West football game at Kezar Stadium, spring and mid-winter concerts, and field demonstrations during football season kept the MUHS Band busy.

They stirred our enthusiasm on the road to victory

The honor of leading the band as majorettes was won by L. Masetti, M. Little, G. Piccinini, and P. Hardin.





The 61 voice chorus, including beginning and advanced students, was directed by Mr. Christensen. The chorus presented the annual Christmas program, participated in the Mothers' Tea, and climaxed the year with the Spring Concert.

Voices blended to achieve beauty in song

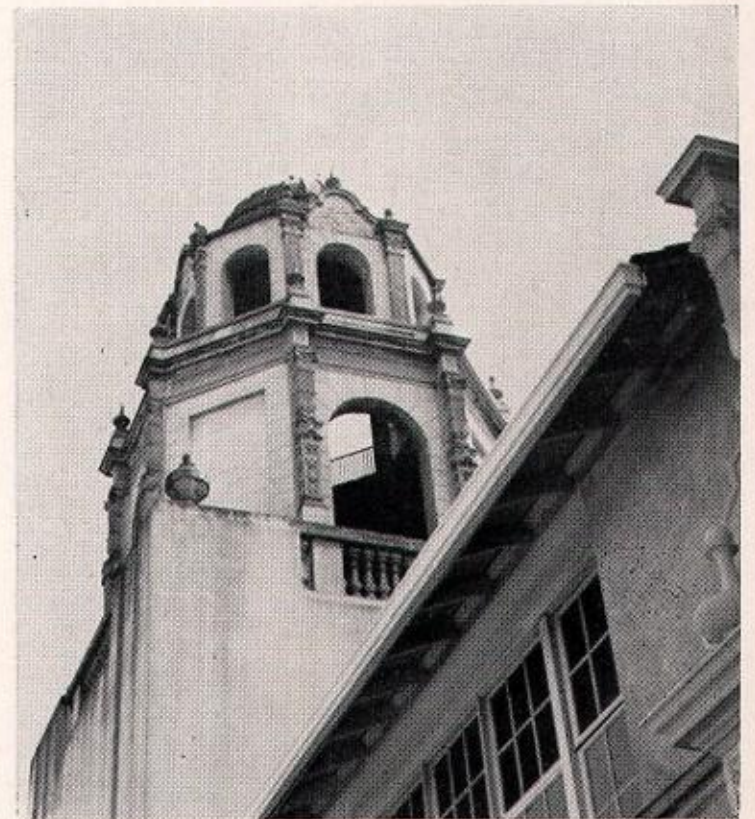
The weekly solo-performance was adopted to enable students to achieve self-confidence in singing.



BOYS SPORTS

You Won For Us - -

Step Up, Champs, And Sign!



FOOTBALL

A team



Robert Theiler
Head Coach

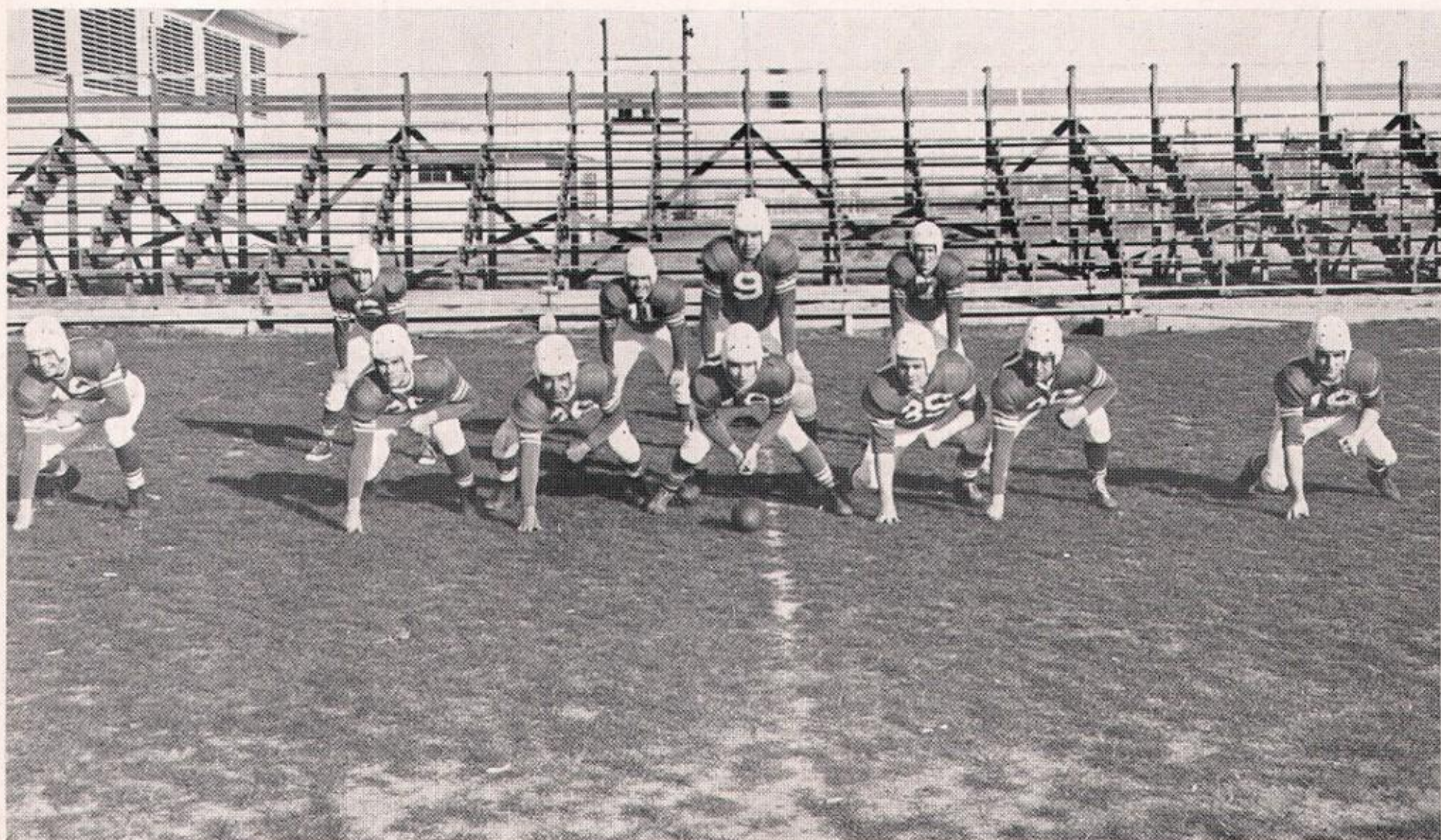


Paul Sanchez leading interference for Rich Noack
around Oakdale End.

Under the coaching of Mr. Theiler, head coach, and Mr. Yakopin, line coach, the Buffaloes had their best year so far and walked off with their third consecutive V. O. League Championship. The prospects for a good season were dismal, as all but two of last year's starting line-up graduated, but the boys came up with one of the most powerful grid-machines in Northern California as they racked up a total of 326 points to the opposition of 57 points. The first to feel the hoofs of the Buffaloes was the St. Mary's eleven in a non-league tilt after which Manteca walked off the field the victors in a 40-0 count.

We salute

Varsity starting lineup: K. Grieve, RE; B. Duncan, RT; R. Camarena, RG; B...Williamson, C; E. Angerina, LG; M. Gikas, LT; B. Harris, LE; J. Triglia, RH; P. Sanchez, FB; J. Payan, QB; D. King, LH.





J. Triglia and C. Snyder effectively held the Livingston gridders from scoring.

The following Friday, they met defeat at the hands of a strong Turlock squad, 27-0. The Buffs retaliated by downing Hollister, 37-0.

After gaining two wins against one loss, they traveled to Rio Vista and trounced that squad; as the final gun sounded, the scoreboard read Manteca 40, Rio Vista 0.

The Buffaloes entered League competition by running, passing, and blocking their way to a 46-7 victory over the Oakdale Mustangs. The Buffs then successfully trampled Ceres by a score of 42-6.



Joseph Yakopin
Line Coach

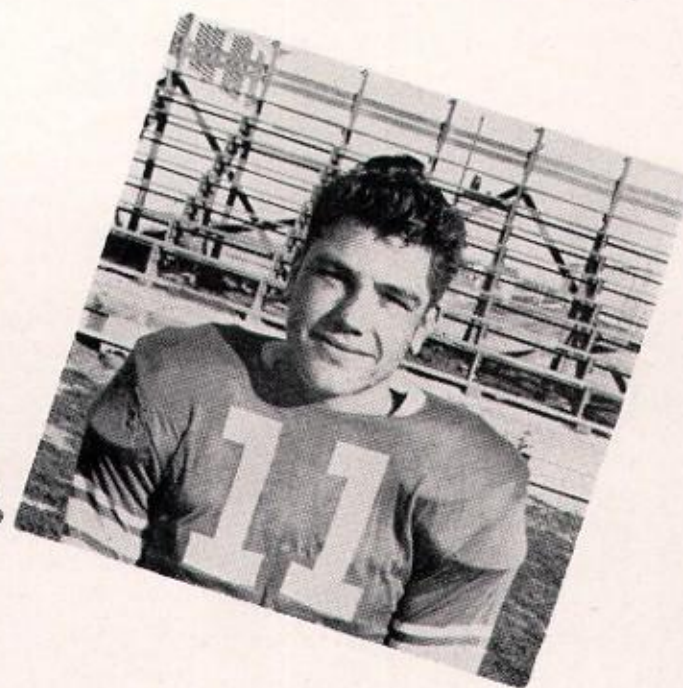
the VOL Champions

Buffalo squad roster includes: Row I: (left to right) J. Triglia, K. Grieve, B. Duncan, R. Camarena, B. Williamson, E. Angerina, M. Gikas, B. Harris, D. King; Row II: J. Gatto, R. Phillips, C. Snyder, H. Brockman, P. Sanchez, J. Payan, R. Noack, J. Keisner, F. Wiggin, J. Reichmuth, A. Nunes; Row III: R. Dellavecchia, R. Burrows, M. Valenzuela, P. Wiggin, H. Hardesty, R. Cabrera, L. Brashear, B. Zanetti, H. Braghetta, J. Martin.





Bill Duncan
Co-captain



Paul Sanchez
Co-captain

The Buffaloes fought

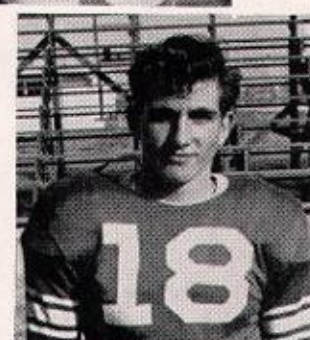
Jack Gatto

Mike Gikas



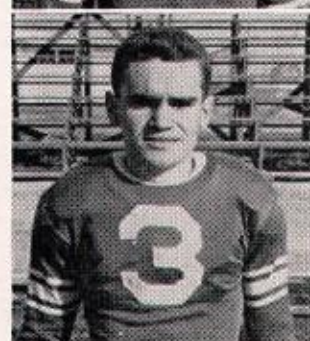
Roy Camarena

Bill Harris



Ralph Burrows

Austin Hoffman



Howard Brockman

Roger Johnson



Ed Angerina



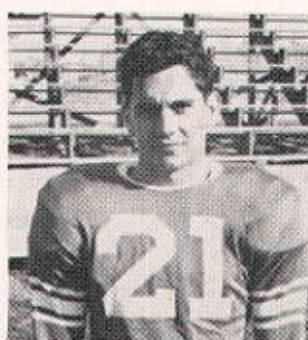


Bill Bennett
Manager



Eddie Sanders
Manager

for it and won



Art Nunes

Jess Payan



Richard Noack

Richard Phillips



Dick King

Martin Richmuth

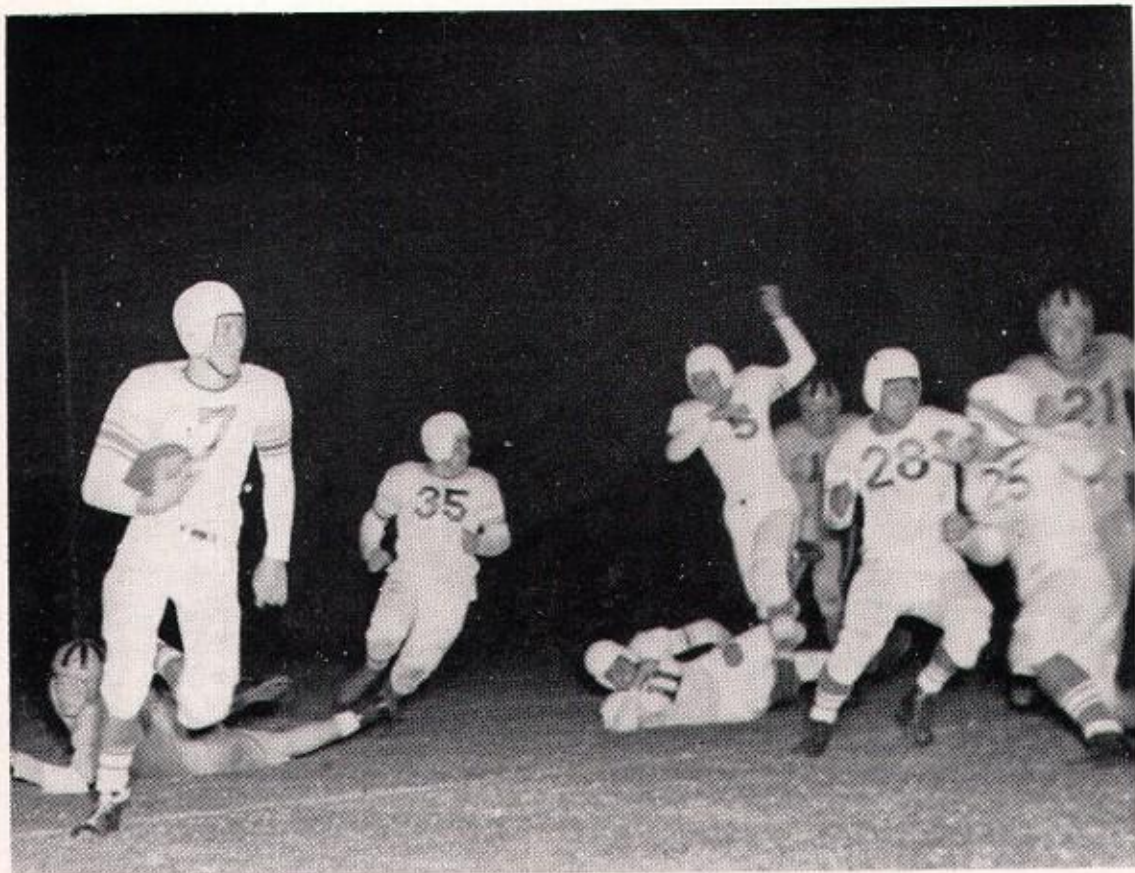


Jack Leisner

Joe Triglia



B. Williamson



Livingston 6—Manteca 25



Sonora 0—Manteca 40



Marion Elliott
Manager

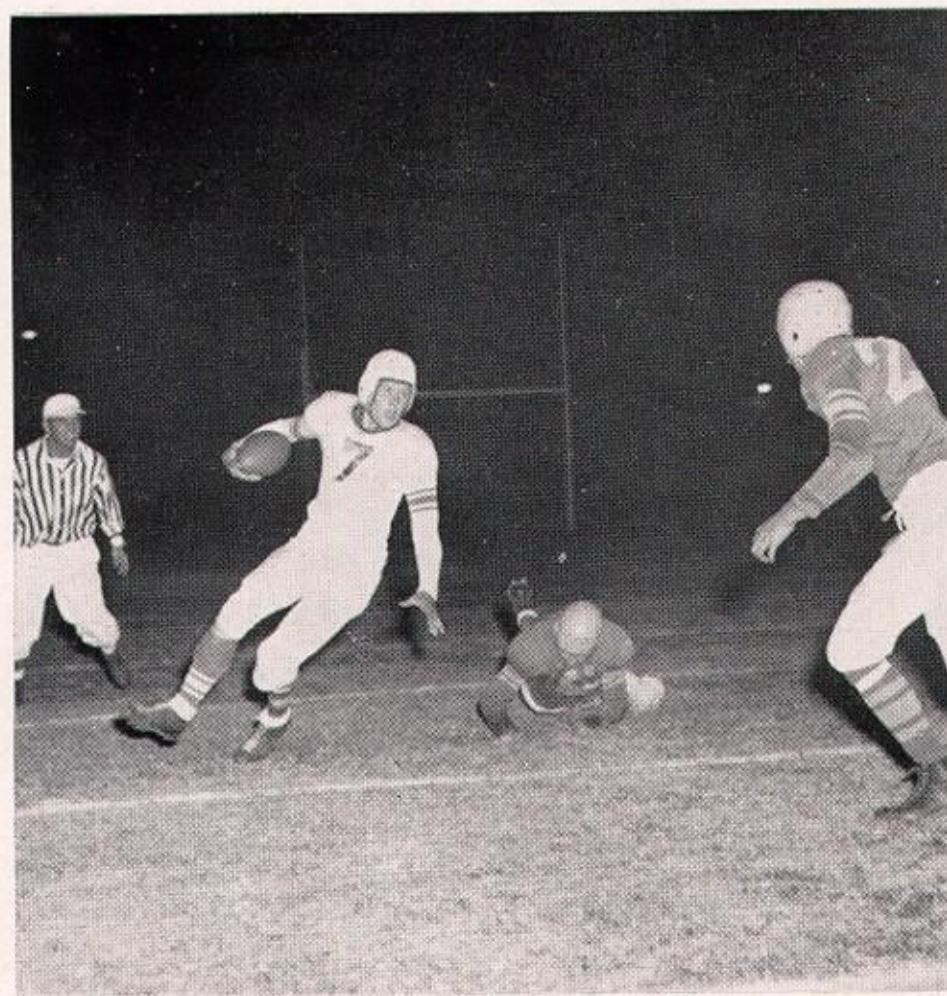
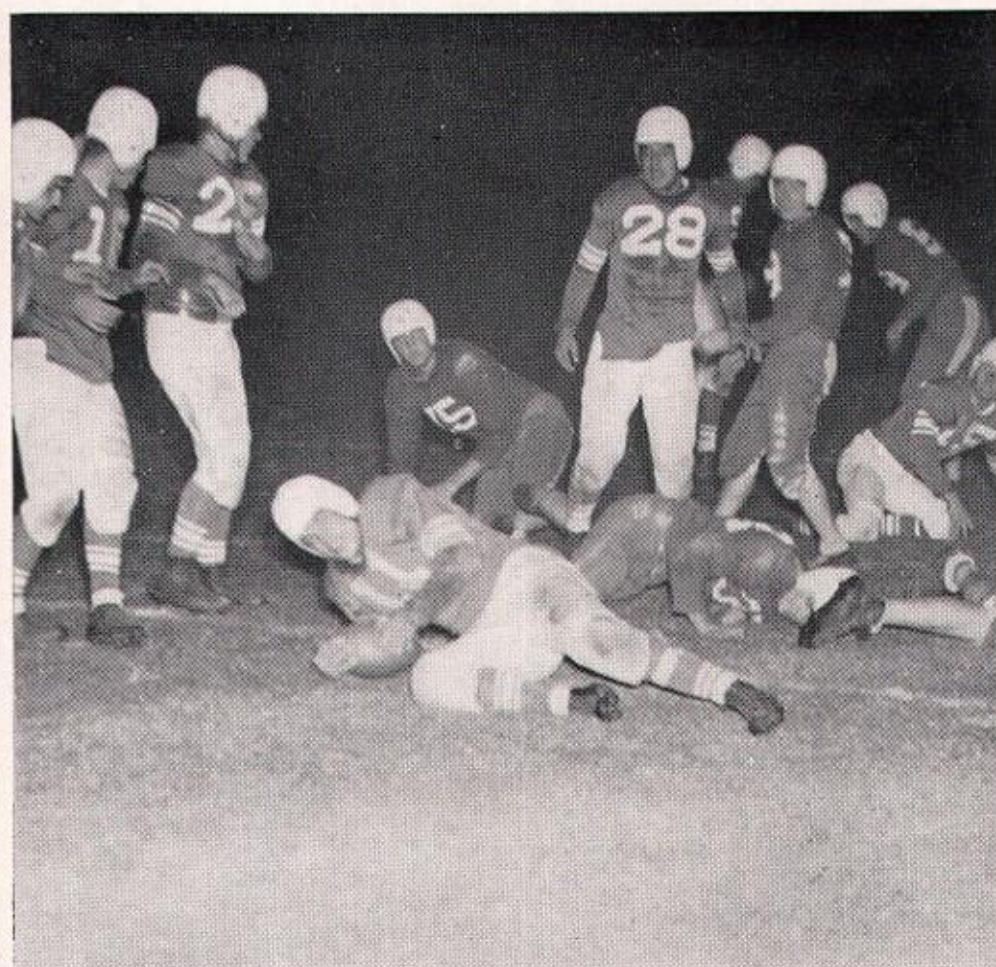
The boys ran into competition with the Livingston Wolves, but they sent the Wolves howling home under a 25-6 shellacking. The following week, the Buffs took to the hills to meet the Sonora Wildcats. Our boys, true to form, walked over the Wildcats, 44-0.

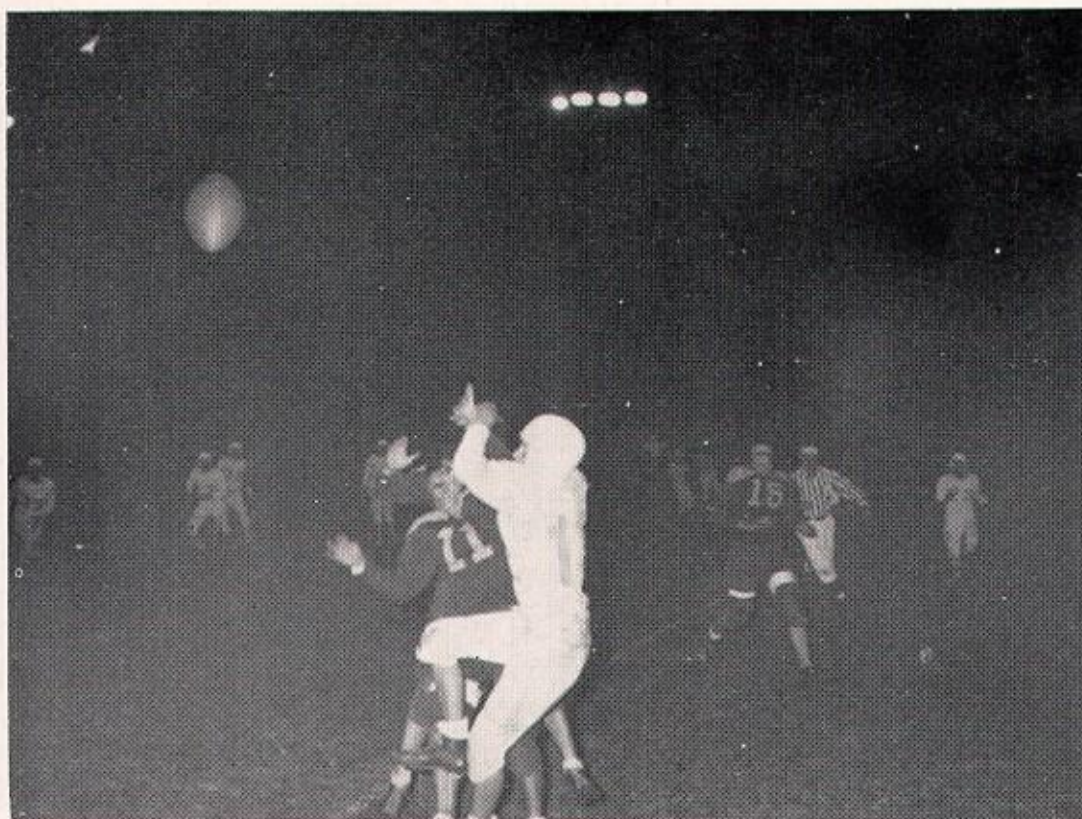
Then came the traditionally rival game against the Tracy Bulldogs. The Buffaloes ran wild over them, racking up 51 points to Tracy's 12.

Thus one of the most successful football seasons in the history of Manteca ended. Eight wins, one loss—a record of which we are justly proud!

Ceres 6—Manteca 42

Oakdale 7—Manteca 46





Ernie Silva receives a pass in the Tracy game.



John Phillips
B Coach

When League play began, the B team hit its stride and won second place in the V. O. conference. In its first game of the season, the B squad traveled far into the hills to meet the boys from Jackson. It was the lack of an educated toe that spelled defeat for the little Buffs, 20-19. The following week a strong Turlock squad downed them, 14-0. In their next game they succumbed to Hollister's might, 26-0.

Little Buffs triumphed. . .

Little Buffs starting lineup featured D. Crockett, RE; R. Coffey, RT; G. Johnson, RG; J. Lopes, C; J. Myatt, LG; M. Snelling, LT; E. Silva, LE; G. Buck, QB; A. Limas, RH; G. Peterson, LH; J. Leach, FB.





Jim Myatt



Gene Peterson

The following week the Bees walked off the field with a 7-0 victory over a strong Rio Vista squad. Then the league play began and our boys showed their abilities as they trampled Oakdale 14-7 in a hard fought game.

The boys had decided they liked to win, so they did over the Ceres Bulldogs 8-0 for their third consecutive win—two in league play. The little Buffs were on the march and they didn't let the Livingston Wolves stop them but rolled over the Wolves in traditional Manteca fashion, 7-0.

A League "second" climaxed

Row I: (left to right) M. Lucken, D. Crockett, R. Coffey, G. Johnson, J. Lopes, J. Myatt, M. Snelling, T. Collins, G. Peterson, G. Buck, J. Leach, E. Silva; Row II: L. D. Ward, C. Howze, M. King, M. Couser, E. Buck, A. Weis, C. Lycans, G. Cash, A. Limas, J. Lopes, R. Lacey; Row III: B. Rhoads, R. Minatre, R. Pedro, G. Chamberland, R. Blocker, B. Turk, B. DeLeon, L. Shirk, C. Elliot, Coach Phillips.





B. Rhoads, Manager



C. Elliot, Manager

The Sonora Wildcats appeared to be next on the victory parade, but the game ended in a scoreless deadlock. As they went into their last league game against Tracy undefeated, the little Buffs knew that a championship was at stake. Tracy had one loss—Manteca had one tie. The Buffs were up for this game but they were tight as the Tracy Bullpups ran over them, 24-7.

their most successful season

Manteca "B's" vs. Oakdale



Varsity game with Livingston

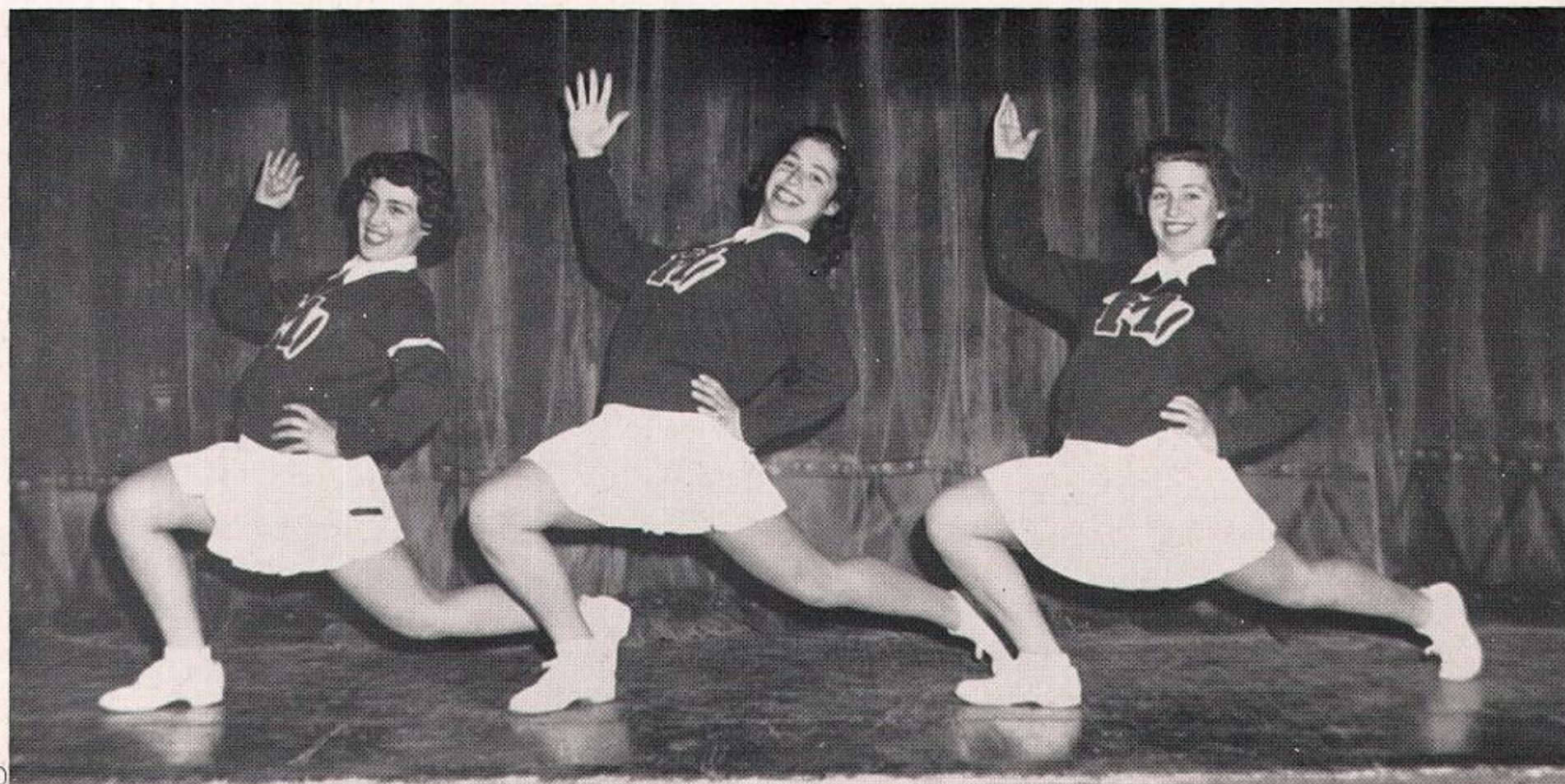




The Pep Club organized the Valley Oak League Cheer Leaders Association; members are Row I: (left to right) K. Knoll, I. Hildebrand, E. Pappas, M. Lozano, P. Welch, S. Jacklich; Row II: W. Shirk, T. Lozano, G. Elkins, W. Anderson, K. Hafer.

Pepsters sang and cheered

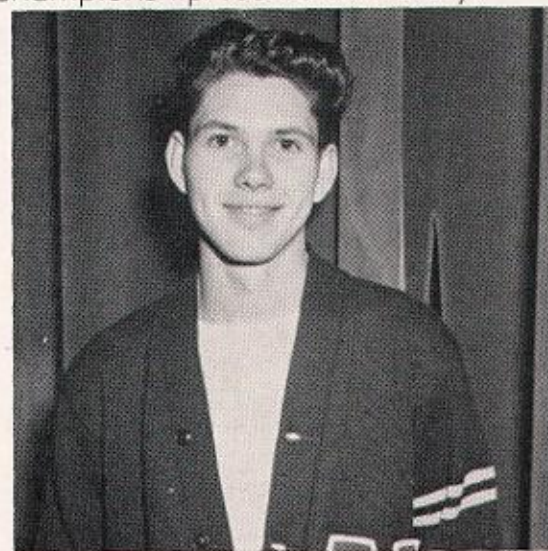
B Team Yell Leaders, E. Pappas, T. Lozano and M. Lozano, helped cheer on the Little Buffs.





Cheerleaders K. Hafer, W. Shirk, G. Elkins and W. Anderson helped boost two championship teams to victory.

building support for our teams



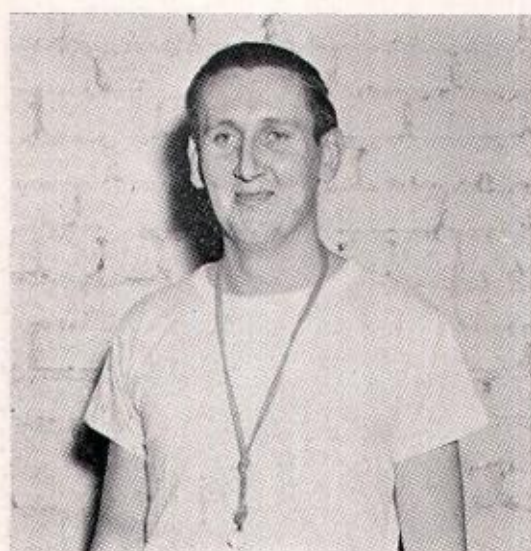
Ken Hafer,
Head Cheer Leader

S. Jacklich, K. Knoll, I. Hildebrand, and P. Welch led us in school songs at the games.





Manteca takes Tracy, 41-39



Ralph Brandt,
Coach

Manteca High produced the '50 VO League champions. Coach Brandt's team lost its first game to Sonora 44-54. The Buffs then scored victories over Ceres 37-35, Livingston 48-38 and Oakdale 45-43, but lost to Tracy 40-31.

Manteca first took Sonora 42-40, then Ceres, 38-34, and lost to Livingston 49-42. Manteca overpowered Oakdale 47-38. Manteca and Tracy entered the "Big Game", tried for the championship. The Buffaloes defeated Tracy 41-39, thereby winning the VO League championship.

League Champs

Basketball Varsity: Row I: (left to right) R. Camarena, J. Cabrera, C. Snyder, H. Braghetta, D. King, R. Dellavecchia, B. Williamson; Row II: B. Wheeler, H. Smith, B. Grieve, B. Campbell, J. Payan, F. Wiggin, K. Grieve.





Manteca 33, Linden 12



Linden "B" game

Manteca's Bee team won five out of its first six games but hit the skids and ended the season with 10 wins and 14 losses. In league competition the Little Buffs won two and lost eight. Bob Acoba was the team's outstanding player and high scorer, with 225 points in 24 games and 9.4 average per game.



H. Downing,
Manager

they made their goal!

Row I: (left to right) S. Hotta, A. Limas, S. McDaniels, L. Conterno, Coach Brandt, M. King; Row II: B. Rhoads, J. Williamson, B. Tsugawa, E. Sanders, D. Brockett, J. Gatto, T. Valdez, R. Coffey, B. Turk, B. Acoba; Row III: M. Valenzuela, G. Elkins, B. Byrd R. Silva.





C Basketball Team: Row I: (left to right) B. Scharmann, J. Weimer, B. Byrd, B. Tsugawa; Row II: J. Coldeweigh, W. White, G. Elliott, S. Hotta, B. Acoba, J. Grieves.

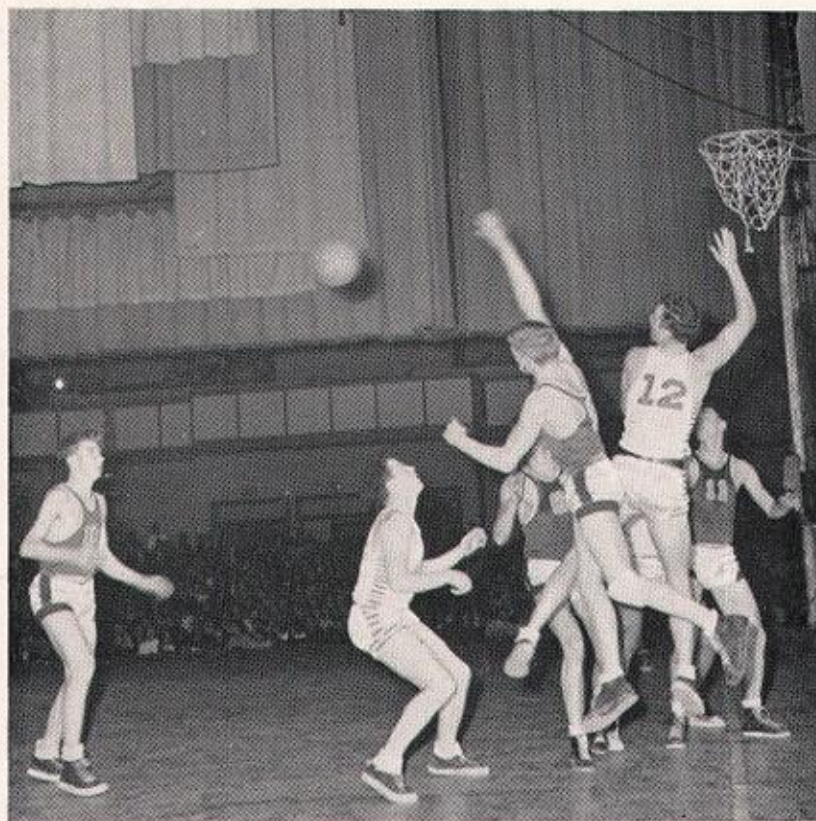
Manteca's C team, under the coaching of Mr. Brandt, finished third in the league standings by dropping two games to the Oakdale C champions and one to the Tracy C's.

Our D team ended in second place—behind Oakdale—in the standings, by losing to Oakdale twice.

C's and D's had a place

D. Basketball Team: Row I: J. Mattes, D. Triglia, A. Gillingwater, L. Conterno, R. Brudernich; Row II: R. Gustin, T. Spor, R. Wilson, F. Duran, E. Moniz.





Oakdale - Manteca



Tracy - Manteca

Coach Wayne Johnson's tennis team started its 1950 season suffering the loss of several 1949 star-graduates. The squad now ranges from seniors to freshmen, promising a good array of players in the future.

Spring filled the courts with tennis racqueteers

Row I: A. Wiese, B. Myatt, J. Williamson, L. Conterno, K. Heinsohn, D. McAdams; Row II: R. Frank, M. Lucken, K. Grieve, B. Campbell, B. Williamson, C. Honodel, T. Valdez.

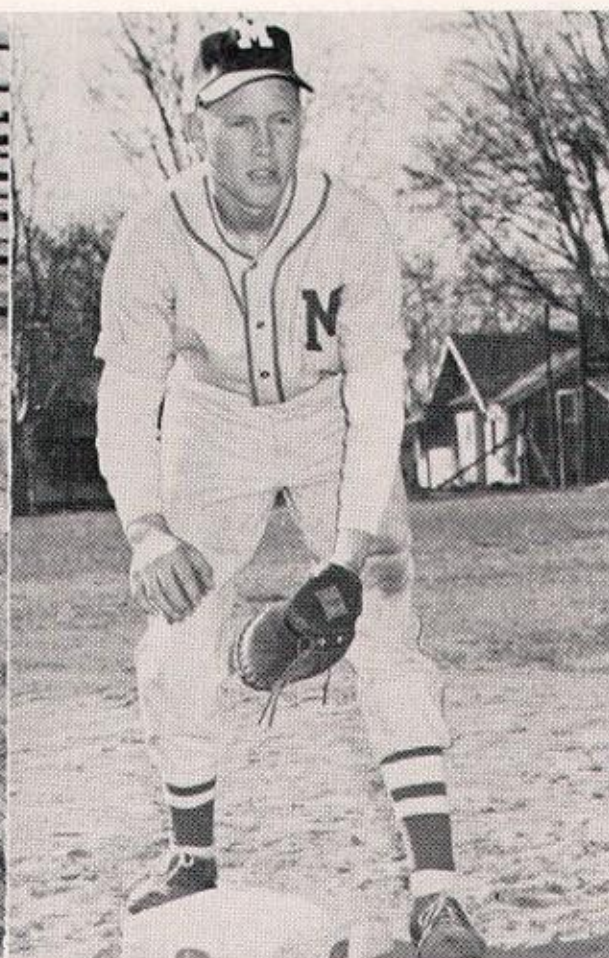




J. Payan, pitcher



T. Pollino, catcher



D. King, first baseman



Coach Theiler

Six veterans returned this year to form a nucleus for the Manteca Buffaloes baseball squad. They are Dick King, Bob Wheeler, Ray Dellavecchia, Paul Sanchez, Jess Payan and Tom Pollino.

Manteca ended the non-league season with three wins, three losses and a 12 inning, 6-6- tie.

Baseball called the

B. Wheeler, second baseman

B. Turk, third baseman

R. Dellavecchia, short stop

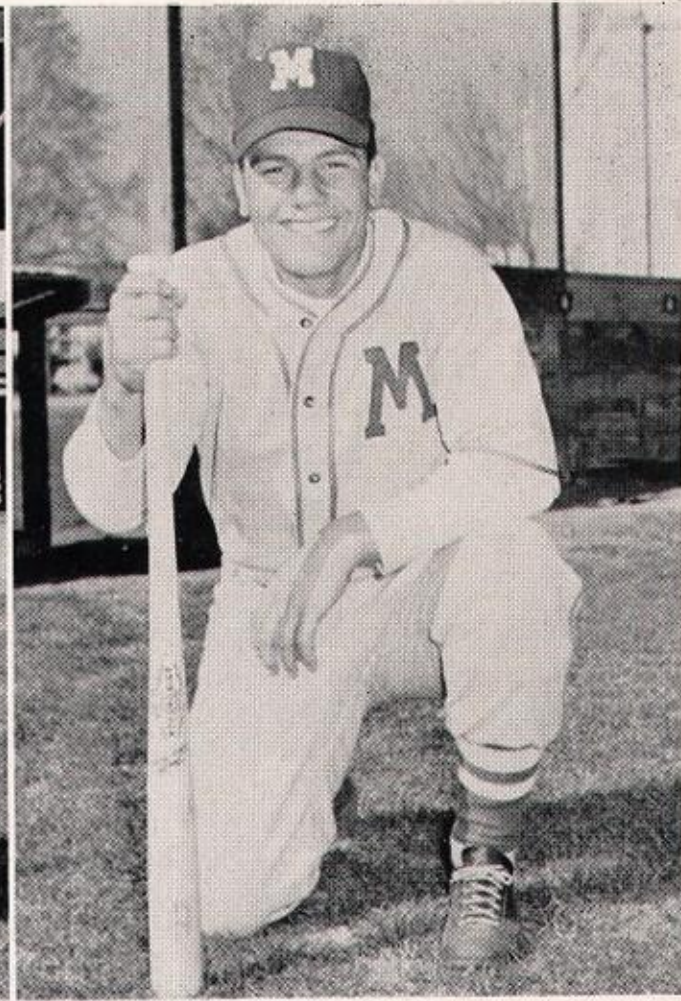




C. Snyder, left field



H. Harrison, center field



P. Sanchez, right field

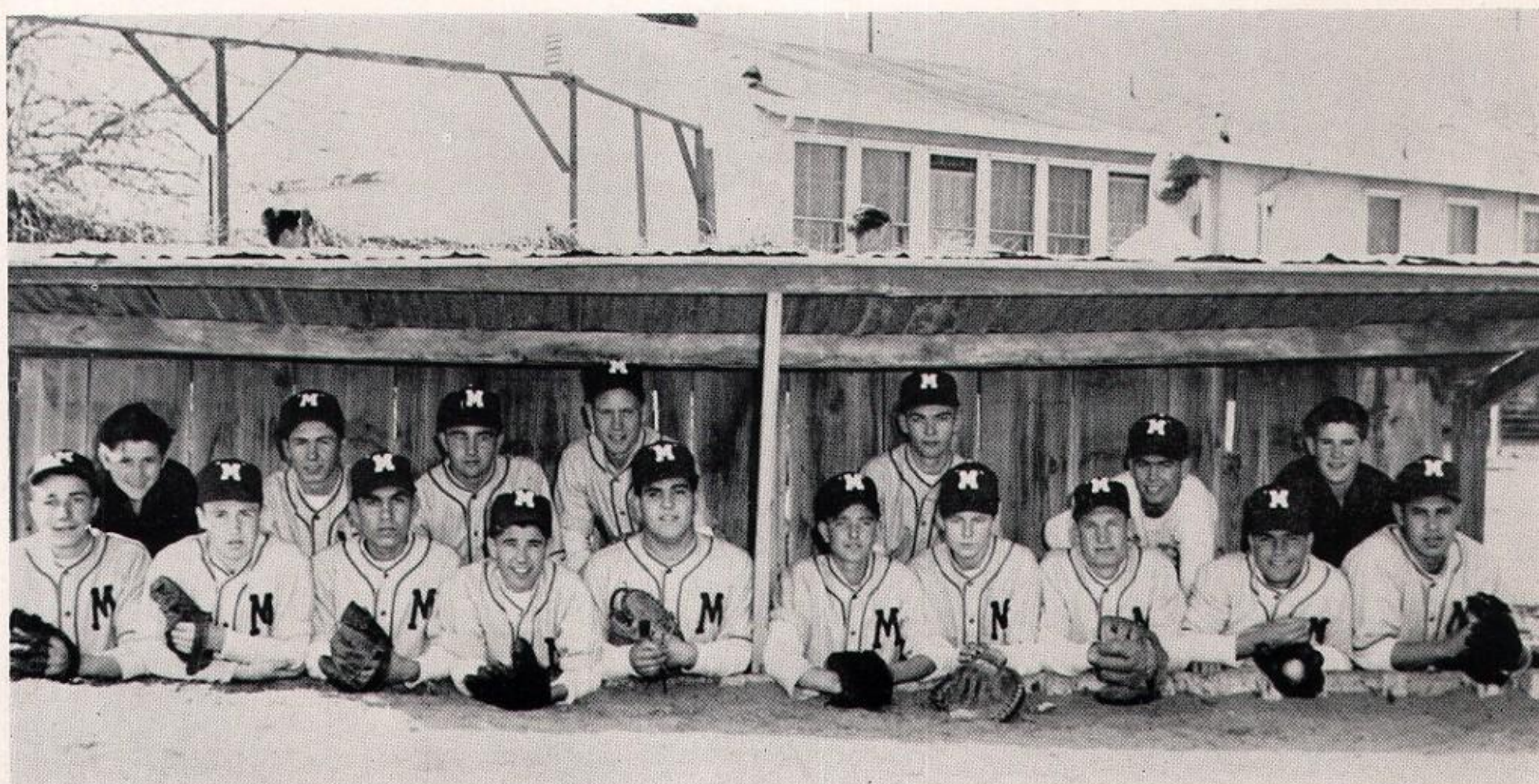
During the first two games with Lodi and St. Mary's, Manteca exploded for clusters of runs in the late innings to win both games. The third game ended because of darkness in a 12-inning 6-6 ball game with Modesto. Manteca lost the next three games with Stockton, Modesto and Lodi because of hitting slumps which plagued all the players at the same time. The Buffaloes won their first three league games and hope for another championship team.

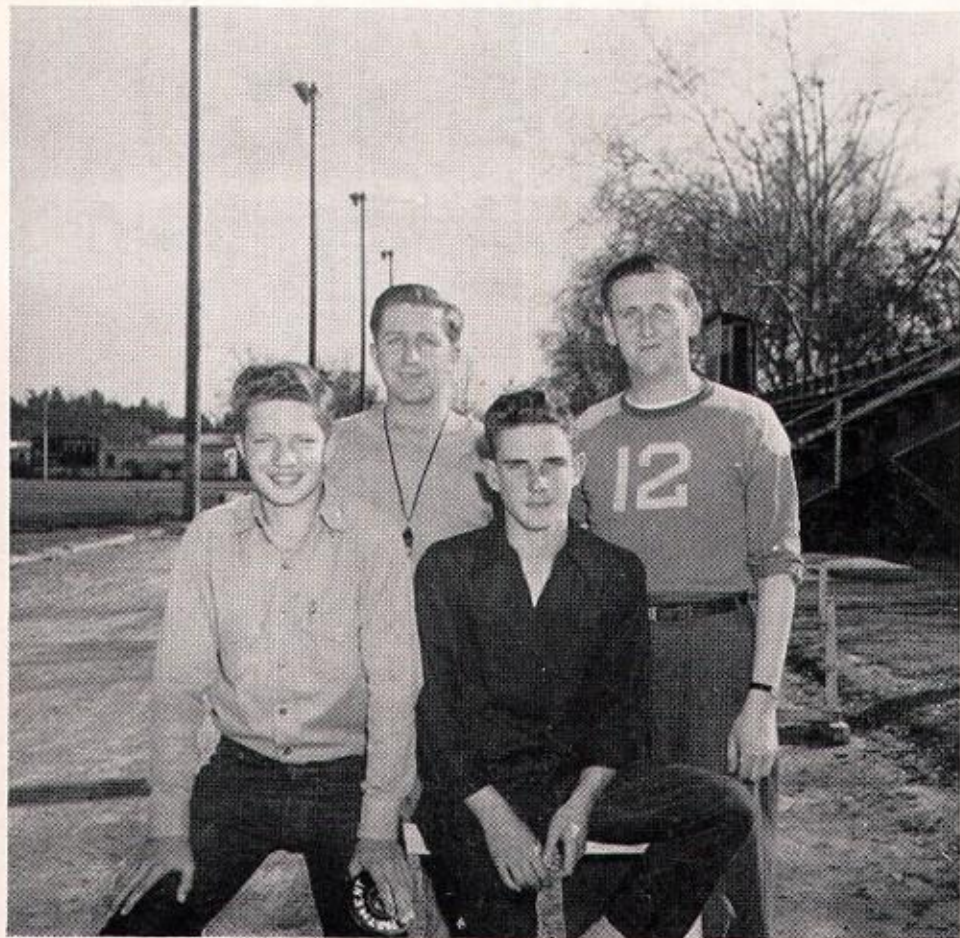
Buffaloes to bat

J. Dovichi, B. Rhoads
Managers



Row I: (left to right) H. Harrison, C. Snyder, J. Cabrera, P. Arizcuren, T. Pollino, D. Erickson, R. Lacey, J. Keisner, P. Sanchez, J. Payan; Row II: J. Dovichi, B. Turk, H. Brogetta, D. King, B. Wheeler, R. Dellavecchia, B. Rhoads.





Row I: (left to right) R. Minatre, A. Weis, managers; Row II: Mr. Phillips, Mr. Brandt, coaches.

Track is gaining momentum by the years. The participation this season was the best in the history of MUHS.

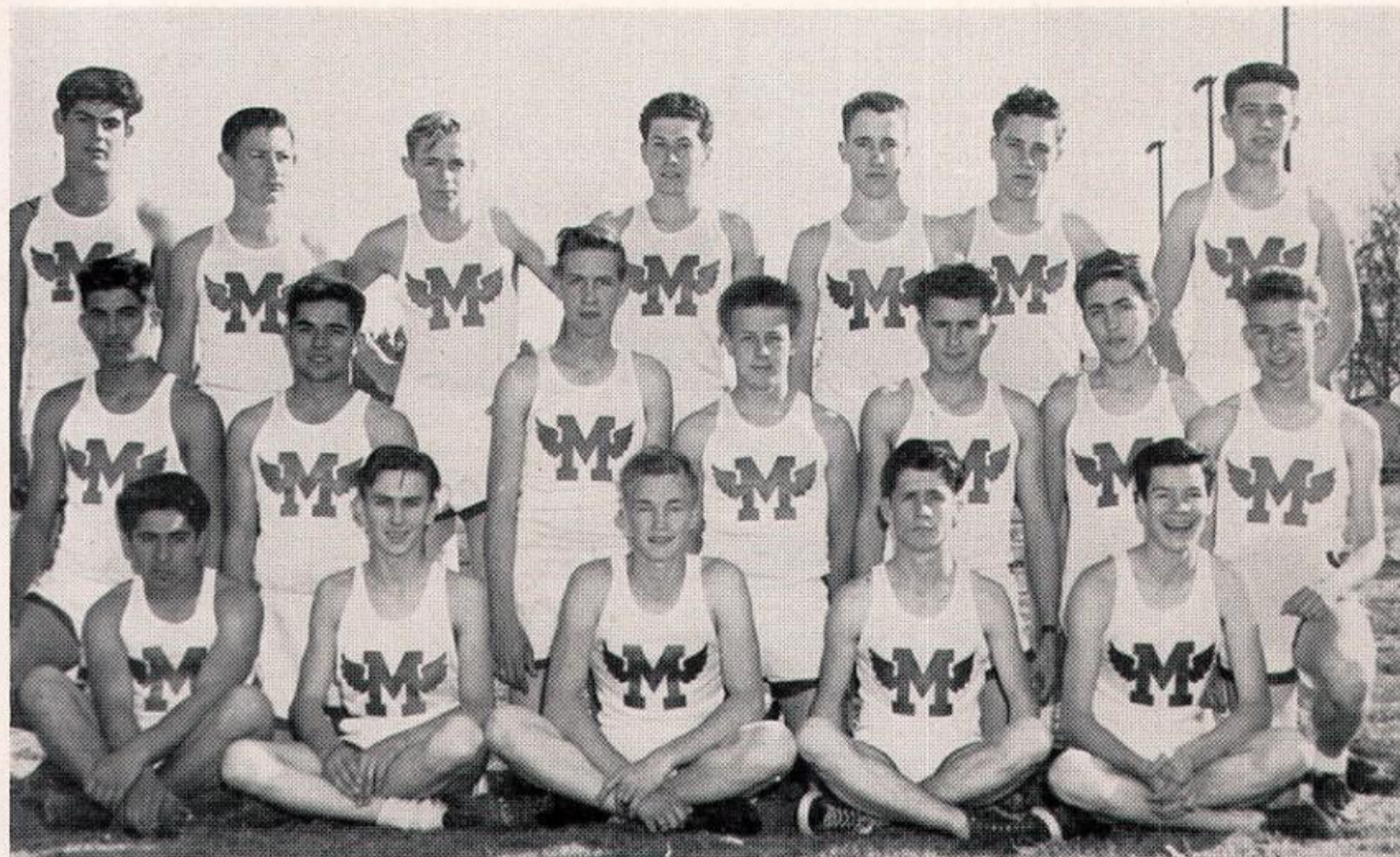
The Class A track squad was led by B. Harris in the shot put; J. Gatto, W. Shirk, in the 880 yard run; J. Reichmuth, R. Burrows in the dashes and broad jump; D. King, K. Grieve in the high jump; C. Elmer, C. Honodel in the mile run.

Manteca won the first meet with Tracy, and dropped the next one to Ceres.

Sprinters and vaulters . . .

"A" Track Team: Row I: (left to right) J. Gatto, A. Hoffman, R. Burrows, D. Pedro, W. Shirk, J. Reichmuth; Row II: K. Grieve, B. Williamson, A. Jay, J. Aretakis, C. Elmer, C. Honodel.





"B" Track Team: Row I: (left to right) J. Martin, W. Anderson, T. Collins, E. Cummings, E. Barlow; Row II: E. Yturri, G. Dimotakis, E. Sanders, J. Myatt, J. Lopes, R. Silva, J. Curry; Row III: B. Zanetti, M. Couser, D. Porterfield, W. Castle, L. Shirk, G. Peterson, H. Hodson.

Manteca's Class B and C squad features G. Peterson, 100 yd. dash, high jump, and relay; H. Hodson, 100, 220 dash, broad jumper, relay; J. Lopes, T. Collins, and E. Cummings, 880; E. Barlow, 440 yd. dash, broad jumper; M. Snelling, D. Porterfield, and R. Zanetti, pole vaulters and shot putters.

Men in Class C are N. Allen, 75 yd., low hurdles, pole vault, and relay; L. Okerson, 100 yd. dash, broad jump, and relay; R. Acoba, 110 yd. low hurdles, broad jump and relay; A. Limas, 100 yd. dash, 880 and relay.

came out for track

"C" Track Team: Row I: (left to right) G. Buck, E. Silva, L. D. Ward, M. Elliott, R. Quintal; Row II: T. Spor, J. Williamson, N. Allen, B. Acoba, L. Okerson.



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Devoted to volleyball are Row I: (left to right) T. Lozano, B. Patton, J. Jacklich; Row II: S. Jacklich, C. Turk; Row III: R. Roberts, A. Shaw, L. Mendosa.

Girls vied in many sports - -

Basketball attracts Row I: (left to right) J. Valdez, L. Merjano, M. Breitenbucher, C. Button, N. Sinesio, J. Wilson; Row II: J. Little, P. Hardin, P. Morris, D. Davis, G. Piccinini, M. Peerson.





Callisthenics makes strong muscles and is lots of fun.

- - dribbled, tumbled, pitched, served

Waiting their turn at bat are Row I: (left to right) B. West, A. Hicks, J. Strait, J. Borges, N. Lozano, F. Barrett, F. Webb, J. Lombardo, A. Thompson; Row II: W. Hilton, L. Sanders, C. Adams, N. Glover, S. Young, D. Southwick, M. Merideth, E. Pappas.

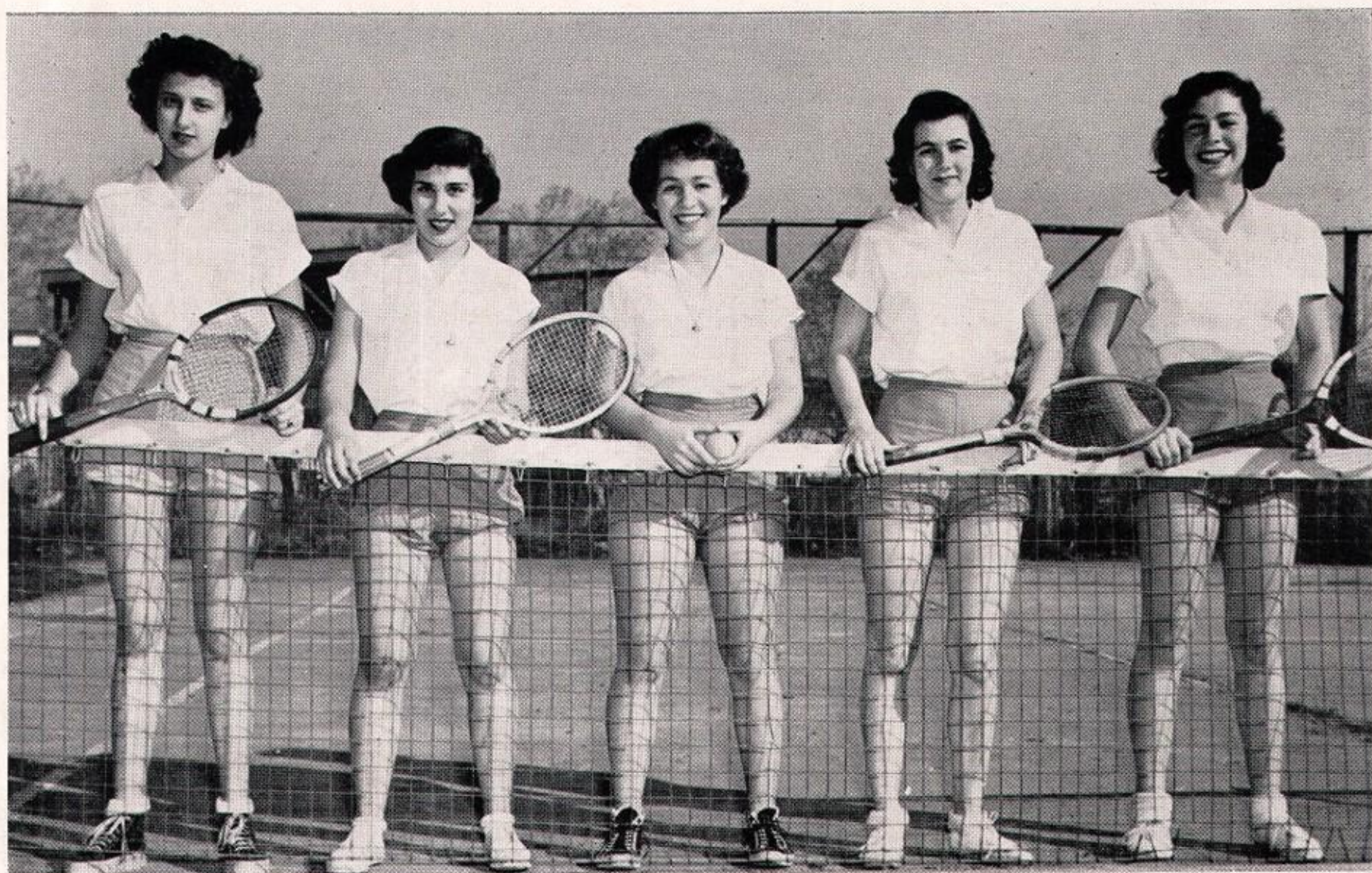


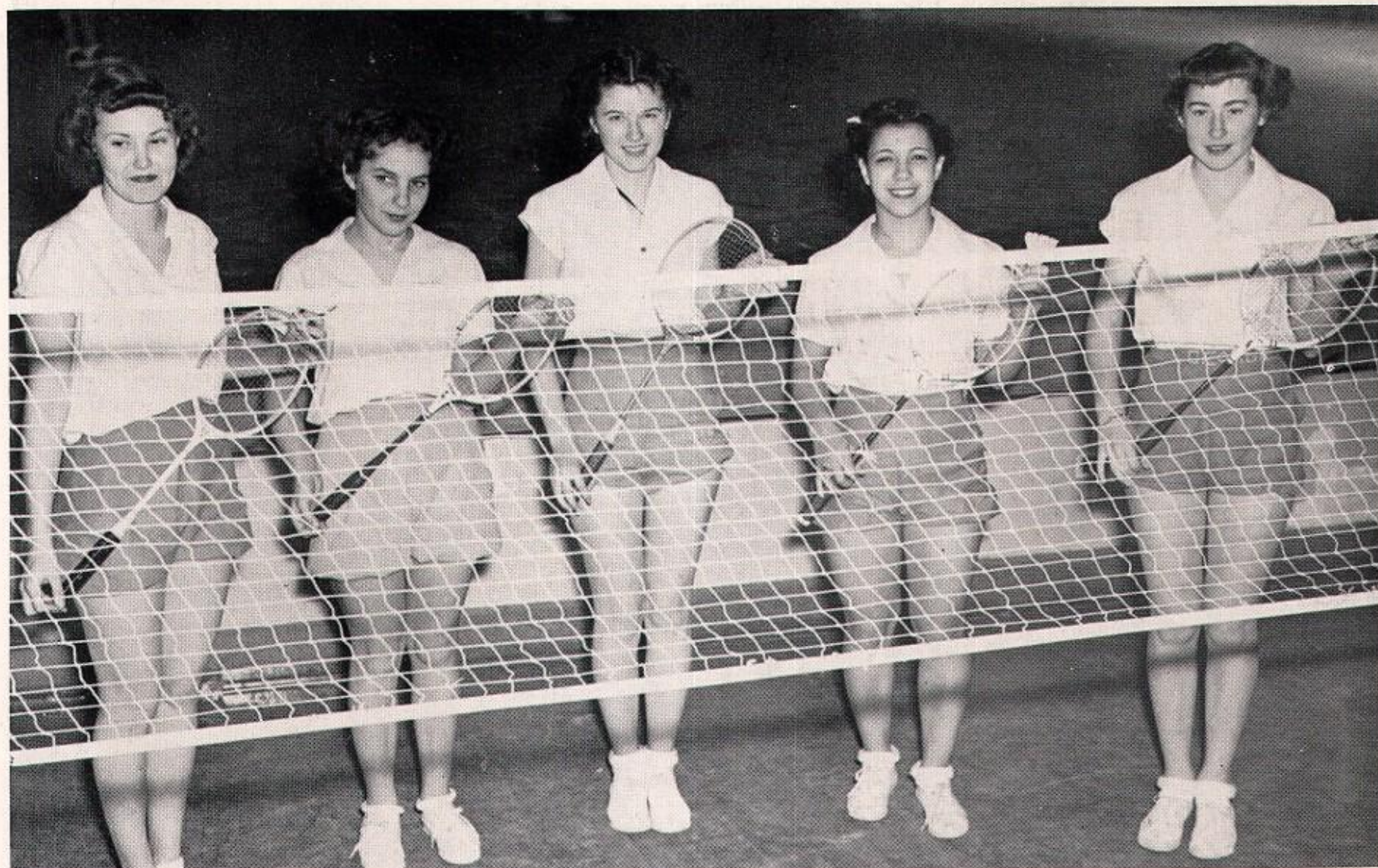


Table tennis pleases (left to right) D. Cardoza, C. Howze, G. Cotrell, C. Adams.

Nets and racquets caught their fancy

Enthusiasts on the tennis courts include (left to right) S. Jacklich, E. Pappas, N. Lozano, P. Welch, T. Lozano.





(Left to right) J. Strait, R. Mozzetti, M. Peerson, D. Gomes, G. Piccinini try their skill at badminton.

Birdies and bullseyes challenged their skill

Archery interests Row I: (left to right) E. McDaniel, B. Stillwell; Row II: M. Little, F. Webb, C. Turk.





Darrol Adams



Noland Adams



Santa Aguilar



June Allen



Walter Anderson



Edward Angerina



Row I: (left to right) Paul Sanchez, Ed. Angerina, Richard Noack;
Row II: Mr. Johnson, Miss Spidell, Joanne Jacklich, Tillie Esteves,
Miss Aiken, Mr. Phillips.

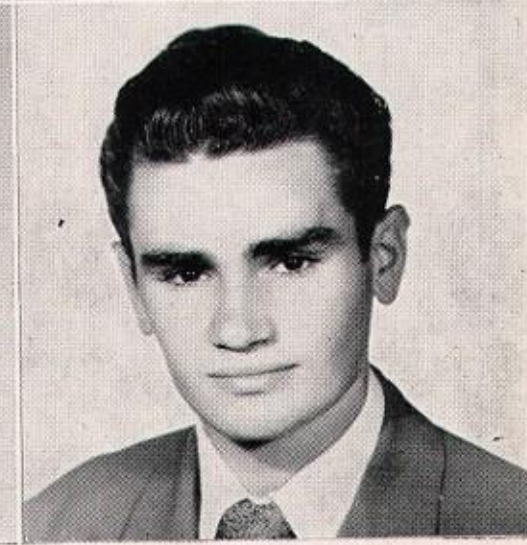
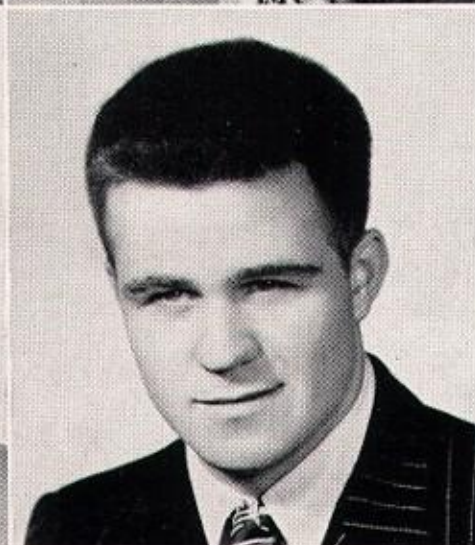
Nancy Arbuthnot

John Aretakis

Moreno Balantac

Carlo Bagnasco





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Janet Brown

Jeannie Blevins
Ralph Burrows

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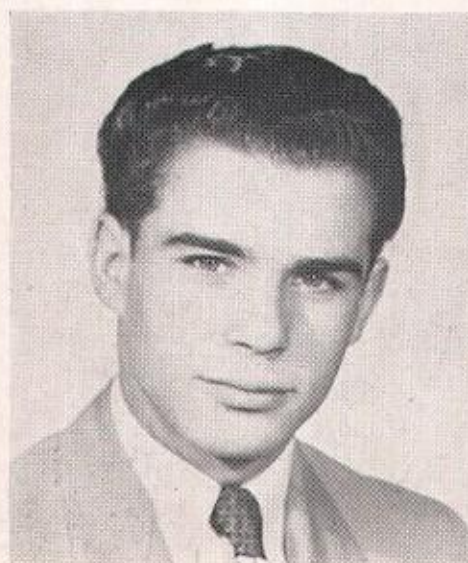
Anticipation was high for us freshmen, and why not, as it was our first day at high school. We had attained a new goal. We had entered a completely new era—high school! We soon became acquainted with the faculty, students, and organizations. Our first activity was an election campaign; as a result, Bill Duncan was chosen to guide us as president through the year.

Jimmy Daniels

Darlene Davey

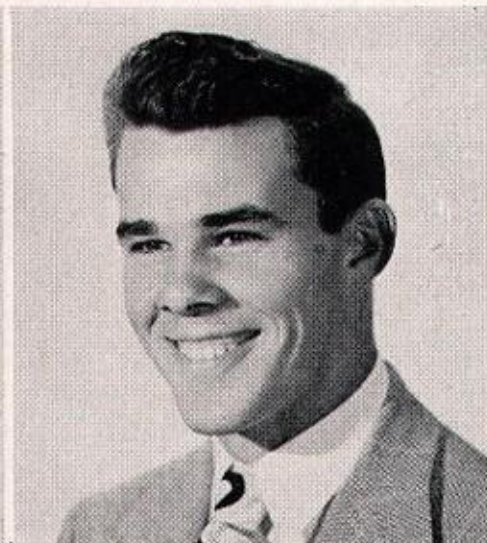
Romain Dement

Hazel Derby





Frankie DeSoto



Bill Duncan



Glen Elkins



Tillie Esteves

Agatha Ott, Lucille Mendosa, Betty Jo Spor, and Bob Garcia were elected vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and class representative, respectively, to assist their prexy. Since freshmen are a bit shy and backward, (we were no exception) our program of activities was quite short.

Maria Feitor



Rosemarie Fonseca



Dolores Fortuny



Mary Lou Foster



Stella Anne Freeman



Jack Gatto





Ruth Geringer



Mike Gikas



Hallie Gillingwater



Bette Glover



Bill Grieve



Joyce Griggs

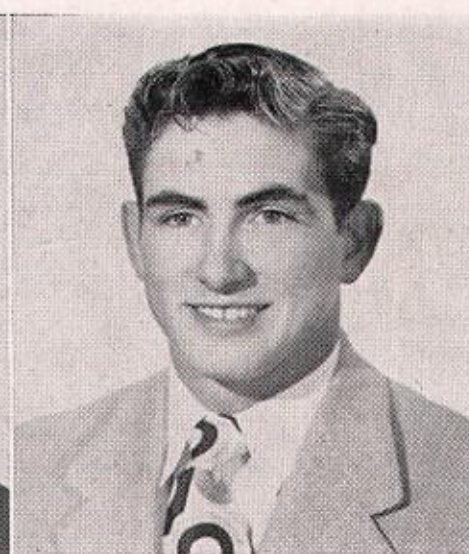
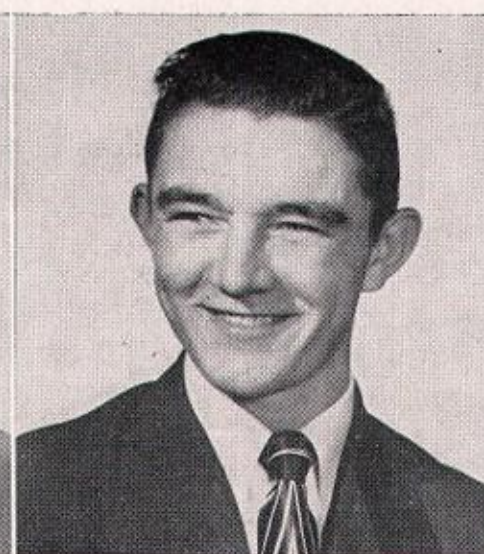
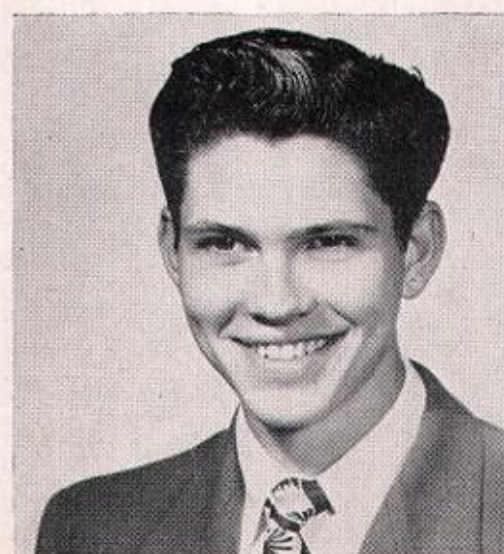
As sophomores we came back a little more wise in the ways of high school. Proud we were—we had climbed one step higher on our ladder of success. We immediately called a class meeting to elect our officers—Richard Noack, president; Bob Williamson, vice-president; Virginia Piccinini, secretary; Agatha Ott, treasurer; and Bob Wheeler, class representative.*

Kenneth Hafer

LaVern Hardin

Bill Harris

Irene Hildebrand





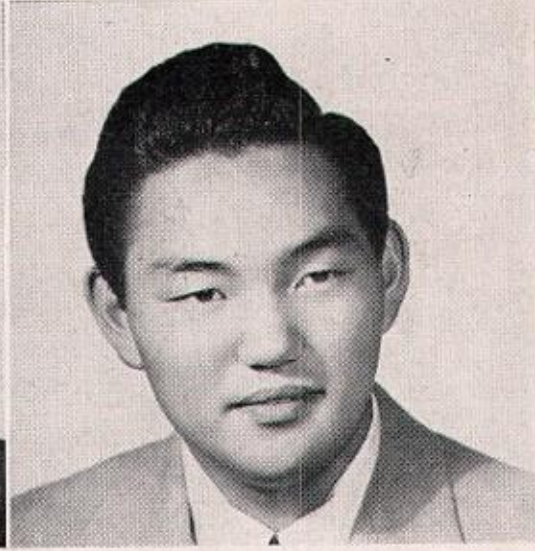
Wanda Hilton



Harold Hodson



Austin Hoffman



Shiro Hotta

Then we started planning the annual class activity—the Sophomore Hop! Ah! It was good to be a sophomore, but only too soon the year was over. It seemed such a short time and our junior year had begun. Putting first things first, we elected our officers and again selected Bill Duncan as prexy.

Joanne Jacklich



Shirley Jacklich



Roger Johnson

Virginia Johnson

Dolores Keisner

Jack Keisner





Luanne Kent



Dick King



Shirley Lewis



Joe Limas



Jim Lopes



John Lopes

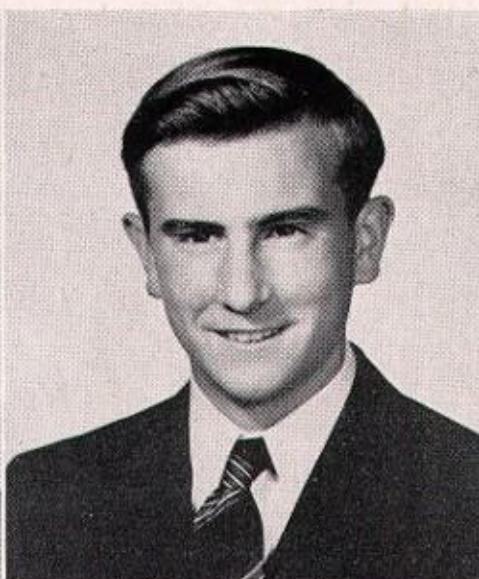
Jess Payon, vice president; Carol Turk, secretary, Betty Jo Spor, treasurer; Ken Hafer, representative, were voted the best capable of filling these positions. We had begun to take a deeper interest in the activities and had a greater feeling of responsibility so we planned a Fun Nite, which required a lot of work but was worth it all, for it was a huge success.

Mary Lyons

Lorraine Massetti

Donald Mattes

Jeannie McAlpin





Carleen Melchert



Lucille Mendosa



Pete Meredith



John Michelotes

It wasn't long until the time had come to order our class rings; we chose a committee to select them—the most beautiful class rings ever made. In May we began preparing for the big event—the Junior-Senior Prom! With Showboat as the theme, it was the loveliest yet!

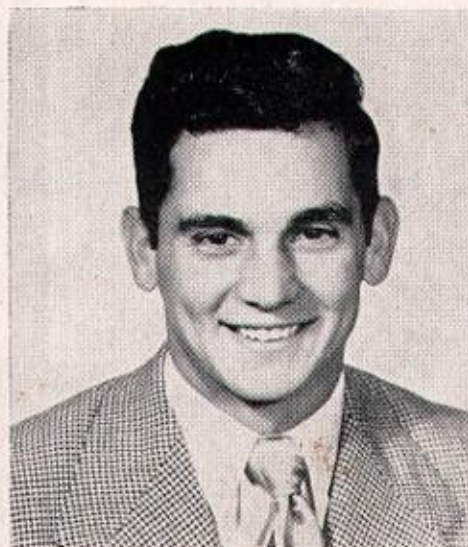


Lorraine Moniz



Bob Morris

Arthur Nunes



Richard Noack



Mary Osterman



Agatha Ott





Bonnie Patton



Jesse Payan



Richard Phillips



Virginia Piccinini



Barbara Plouff



Jack Potter

The year passed rapidly, and then we were seniors. We had a different attitude toward school life and school activities. We wanted to make the most of our last year, for many of us wouldn't be going on to school; and we realized that some of the happiest days of our lives had already fled by and were only memories to be cherished in the years to come.

James Pulliam

Jay Rarey

Bonnie Ray

Joe Reichmuth





Marjorie Richina



Robera Roberts



Bridget Robles



Patricai Rohrer

Joan Salmon



Laura Sanders



Our senior year was a busy one. From the first day when we began campaigning for our class officers, until the last exciting moments of graduation, we were active. Election results announced Ed Angerina, president; Paul Sanchez, vice president; Tillie Esteves, treasurer; Joanne Jacklich, secretary; and Richard Noack, class representative.

Paul Sanchez



Eddie Sequeira



Arlene Shaw



Lane Shepherd





Wallace Shirk



Shirley Silva



Illene Silveira



Betty Jo Spor (Watson)



Lois Steiner



Barbara Swagerty

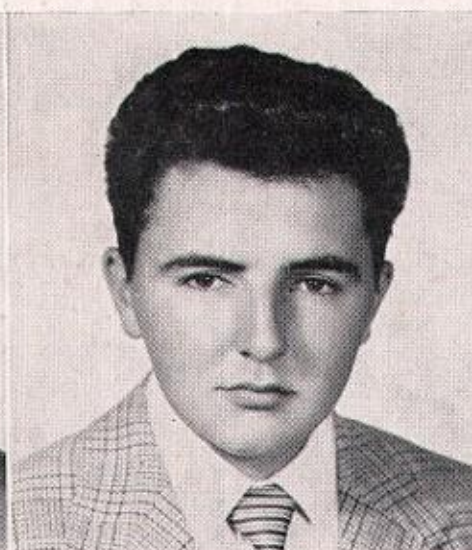
The traditional snow trip to the Calaveras Big Trees was among the first of the class activities. In February the senior play and cast was chosen, and practice began. The last few months were especially busy. May brought the Junior-Senior Prom and the senior picnic at Lodi Lake.

Danny Tassi

George Texeira

Clayton Thornton

Joe Triglia





Bob Tsugawa



Carol Turk



Irene Valenzuela



Gus Vezaldenos

June—the last month of school and the most exciting—brought the senior breakfast, baccalaureate, the senior assembly and night of nights!—Graduation.



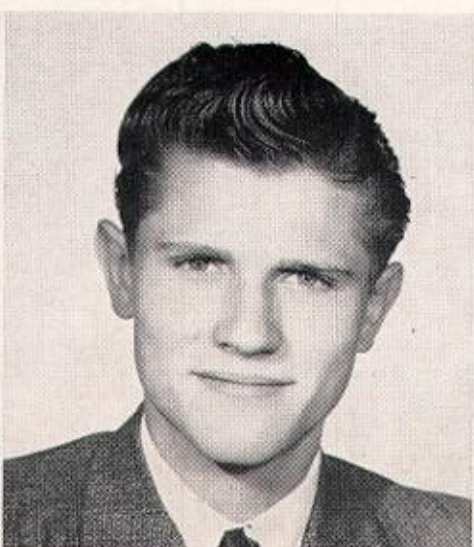
Elsie Vouch



Jane Waltz



Ken Watenabe



Carl West



Bob Wheeler



Mildred Whitten



Bob Williamson

Cora Wilson

Ben Wininger



Patricia Wilhelm
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